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Wednesday 1:00 - 4:00; 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
Sunday 2:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Closed: Easter Sunday, March 26; Thanksgiving and Christmas and the day preceding each of these two holidays.

MEMBERSHIP

Anyone interested in preserving family and community records is invited to become a member. Dues are $10.00 per calendar year per family unit. Members receive the current year's issues of Kansas Kin. Genealogists are on hand each Tuesday and Thursday morning to help with genealogical problems. Free classes are held periodically. An hour's free research is provided for out-of-town members. Members can buy books approved by the Acquisition Committee as gifts to the Society. The Society will pay one-half the cost of such books.

PROGRAM MEETINGS

The last Monday of each month, September through May, except December, meetings are held from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the Manhattan Public Library, unless otherwise announced.

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The RCGS quarterly is published in February, May, August, and November. The staff welcomes receiving Bible and church records, wills, school and court records, and family records and stories. Ancestor tables are limited to one page, 68 lines, per member. Materials concerned with people or events in counties adjacent to Riley County as well as Riley County are solicited. Upon request, gift books will be reviewed in Kansas Kin and given to RCGS.

TAX EXEMPT GIFTS

All donations to RCGS may be deductible on federal income tax returns. The IRS has ruled the Society a tax exempt educational and scientific organization within the meaning of Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954.

1989 DATES TO REMEMBER

February 8, Board Meeting
February 27, RCGS Regular Meeting, Public Library. Eleanor Whitney, "German Aliens in Kansas in 1918."
February 28, Elaine Olney, 5-Generation Project Workshop, RCGS Library, 7:00 p.m.
March 6, Elaine Olney, 5-Generation Project Workshop, RCGS Library, 2:00 p.m.
March 8, Board Meeting
March 27, RCGS Regular Meeting, Public Library. Fern Nilson, "My Huguenot Wollam Family in Germany and Miller Family in Sweden."
April 12, Board Meeting
April 24, RCGS Regular Meeting, Public Library. "SAR, DAR, and DAC Lineage Records."
April 29-May 7, RCGS sponsored trip to Fort Wayne, IN and Frankfort, KY
May 10, Board Meeting

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The President presents

Each quarter, as I write this letter, there are so many people who are to be thanked for keeping the Society and Library running smoothly. FIRST, a sincere thank-you to all who renewed memberships without reminder notices and to those who added extra contributions for RCGS and/or the National Archives Gift Fund. Since dues, contributions and sale items are our only means of support, every monetary receipt is needed...SECOND, thanks to those who have agreed to take on new responsibilities this year - Miriam Field as Acquisition Chairman with Ilene Bender, Katharine Mulanax & Donna Kleiner as committee members; - Helene Schmitz as Periodical Chairman; - Pauline Streeter as Nominating Committee Chairman with Roberta Albrecht and Pauline Adolph as committee members; - Joe Ward and Larry Wisdom as the Auditing Committee... THIRD, thanks to Mel & Mary Cottom who keep a ready supply of our sale items on hand and to Peggy Ward, Golda Sitz and Stella Frey who are reading the 1915 Riley County census in preparation for publication.

With your help some accomplishments were made in 1988 - the by-laws were revised, the Society was put on a sounder financial basis with the dues increase, a publishing venture was begun with the Riley County Historical Society, the Rose Garden was established without major Society investment, over-crowding on the shelves was alleviated with the addition of 114 feet of new shelving, and the preservation of genealogical records was stimulated through the Five Generation Heritage. 207 books were added to the collection in 1988 with a total value of $2419.19. They included 129 gifts, 58 purchases, 12 one-half purchase/gifts and 8 exchanges. There were also 275 microfiche and 3 microfilm reels acquired.

Ruby Williams has some excellent programs scheduled for 1989. Check the "Calendar of Events" and plan to attend the regular monthly meetings. A microphone will be rented so that you can hear every word.

The Kansas Council of Genealogical Societies has three research trips planned for 1989. The first will be from Apr 29 to May 8 to Fort Wayne IN and Frankfort KY. The 10th annual trip to Salt Lake City will be from July 8 to 17. From Sept 30 to Oct 9 the destination will be Washington D.C. & Richmond VA. There are registration forms in the library should you wish to participate in any of these trips.

The KCGS annual meeting/workshop will be in Cawker City on June 17. We hope that many of you will be able to attend.

Any suggestions you may have for improving the library or the Society are welcome. Mail or leave them in the library.

Evelyn

Society News

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

At the November Meeting of RCGS the membership accepted the recommendation of the nominating committee and reelected all of the 1988 officers Their names appear on page 2.

CIVIL WAR RECORDS

RCGS member Lila Stites had excellent results in obtaining information about the activities of the company in which her ancestor served in the Civil War. The source gave a complete list of the various persons in higher commands to which the division was assigned, the engagements--sites, dates, number killed, number dying from wounds or from diseases or other non-battle causes, and maps keyed to the list of battle sites. Capsule histories can be obtained for every Civil War unit, both Union and Confederate. (Since it is the policy of Kansas Kin not to publish advertisements, persons interested in knowing where the capsules can be obtained, can send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to the Editor for information.)

RECORDS KEPT BY EARLY JESUITS ST. MARY'S, KANSAS

RCGS member Roberta Albrecht reports that records kept by the early Jesuits at St. Mary's, KS can by obtained by writing to one of the following addresses: I. C. Church, Sec. Mary Alice Hutley, Father John Erickson, St. Mary's, Kansas 66563; or Jesuit Missouri Province Archives, 4517 W. Pine Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63108. Phone 314-316-0122. (If you send to this Archives, the fee is $10 for research and xeroxing.)

Editor's Notes

The editor found the mayors he researched for the article on the following pages quite fascinating. If any reader has additional information concerning any of these men, or knows about any of their descendants, please send your information to the editor.

Be certain to read Elaine Olney's article on the 5-Generation Project and make a New Year's resolution that you will participate. To aid those who feel they need help in completing the project, Elaine is holding two workshops at which time members can bring their materials and Elaine will help members organize these materials. The workshop dates are February 28 at 7:00 p.m. and March 6, 2:00 p.m. If additional workshops are needed, the Board and Elaine will arrange other times.

A GENEALOGICAL AND HISTORICAL STUDY OF TEN EARLY DAY MANHATTAN MAYORS

In the May 1988 issue of Kansas Kin a list of the early day mayors of Manhattan, Kansas was given along with the dates they served. Of those mayors who served prior to 1885, there were ten who were not included in the book, Pioneers of the Blue Stem Prairie. These men were: Samuel G. Hoyt, Charles F. de Vivaldi, Henry Laffer, Edwin C. Manning, Nathaniel A. Adams, George W. Wisner, Stephen A. Sawyer, William Dent, and William M. Beverly.

According to the Sunset Cemetery records, five of the men were buried in that cemetery; they were Adams, Sawyer, Dent, Beverly, and Wisner. It is known that Hoyt, de Vivaldi, and Manning left Manhattan, but information could not be found about the burial of Laffer or Perry.

An attempt was made to find information about these former mayors by using census records, church records, and historical books found in the libraries of the Riley County Genealogical Society, the Riley County Historical Society, and the Manhattan Public Library. Old Manhattan newspapers were the source of much historical information.

It is of interest to note how young most of the men were when they served as mayor. This fact is a reflection of the youth of early pioneers in our state. The discussion which follows is in the order in which the men served as mayor.

Samuel G. Hoyt
4th Mayor--June 1859-61; Age, 32

When Manhattan was organized as a town in May 1857, Samuel G. Hoyt was on the first city council and served on the education committee. He became the fourth mayor of Manhattan, serving from June 1859-61. There was a brief interim in 1860 when the legislature appointed de Vivaldi the mayor to act for them.

Samuel G. Hoyt was born 26 February 1827, in NY the son of Thaddeus and Gemima Benedict Walton Hoyt. He married Charlotte Elliot, the daughter of John J. and Jane Blake Elliot. She was also born in NY.

In 1859, Samuel G. Hoyt was listed on the resident voter list as an undertaker in Manhattan. On later census records he was listed as being a cabinet maker and then a county clerk. During the Civil War he enlisted on 3 August 1862 as a private in the 11th Regiment of the Cavalry, Company G. He was mustered out on 23 May 1865.

According to the 1865 Kansas state census S.(Samuel) G. Hoyt was aged 37 and had property worth $1000. He, his wife C (Charlotte), 35; Charles, 12; and K (Kate), 9, were all born in NY. A daughter M.E. (Mary Emma), age 8, was born in KS. Living with the family was a female J. Elliot age 65, born in England. Five years later on the 1870 Federal census, William S, age 3, born in KS was listed, but Charles and J. Elliot were not on the list.. A reference was found that said that Charles had died as a youth. In 1875 the same family members were listed as those listed in 1870. On the 1880 census Hoyt was listed as a painter, Kate now 24 was a seamstress, Emma was in college, and a son, Sherman, age 15, was undoubtedly the William S. listed on the previous census.

When the territory was seeking to devise a system of obtaining railroad grants Hoyt was at the Railroad Convention in Topeka that was called for the purpose of creating the system. In 1868-69 he served as Treasurer of Manhattan Township. Hoyt served as Register of Deeds in Riley County for eight years and from 1872-73 as County Clerk. He was a member of LaFayette Lodge No. 16 AF & AM. He and his wife attended St. Paul's Episcopal Church, where he was a member of the first vestry at the time the church was organized on 13 May 1858. Their son, William Sherman Hoyt, was baptized there 22 January 1867 and their son, Thaddeus Elliott Hoyt was baptized 1 January 1868. In September Thaddeus died.

During Hoyt's term of office as mayor a tax was placed on all real and personal property "not to exceed one-half of one per cent per annum, and also a poll tax of one dollar on each male inhabitant over twenty-one years of age."

Just when the Hoyt family moved to Colorado Springs is not known, but they withdrew their names from the list of communicants at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in 1880. Their son William returned to Manhattan in 1892 and married Olive Webb on 20 May of that year. The notice of that wedding stated that his parents and a brother had come from Colorado for the wedding. The name of that brother is not known.

Charles F. de Vivaldi
5th Mayor--1860; Age unknown

Perhaps the most colorful and mysterious of the ten mayors researched was Charles F. de Vivaldi who served as mayor by legislative action from June 1859-1861. In The Morning Chronicle, on 8 March 1940, the editor in a story concerning the first newspaper in Manhattan described de Vivaldi as follows:

"Manhattan's first editor was Count Carlos (Charles) De Vivaldi, Republican refugee from Italy, a sleek, dapper, little Italian, well-educated, and speaking good English with a slight accent.

"He came to Manhattan as editor of the Western Kansas Express. It was a weekly paper as were all Manhattan papers for many years to come.

"De Vivaldi was later appointed consul to Santos, Brazil, and Manhattan thus lost her first editor."

Although the quotation above spelled the man's name with the "de" capitalized, most references give his name as Charles de Vivaldi. He came to Manhattan in 1859. The paper he published was the first Kansas paper published west of Topeka. The first issue was dated May 4, 1859. That issue was "struck off" at Wyandotte and brought to Manhattan. Later the press and the material for the paper were taken up the Kansas River on a steamboat. It is reported that a copy of the first paper is in the corner stone of the "Agricultural College." In 1860 the name of the paper was changed to the Manhattan Express. A subscription to this paper cost $2.00 per year.

The Republican party had been organized on 18 May 1859 at Osawatomie, Kansas, and C. F. de Vivaldi was on the Platform Committee. In March 1861 according to the paper, "...de Vivaldi left for the east to pay respect to the Republican Court in Washington. He had labored hard for two years to disseminate regenerating doctrines of Republicanism."

In the same issue telling of his leaving for Washington there was a lengthy article telling about how "Our usually sedate and quiet community was thrown into a state of wanted excitement on Sunday last, by a disgraceful scene which we deeply deplore." It seems that de Vivaldi had published an article in the paper in which he stated citizens wanted an accounting of some money which had been sent from the East for the poor and needy of Kansas. As a result, "As the Editor of the paper (Charles F. de Vivaldi) was crossing the street leading from his residence to the printing office, a ruffianly attack was made upon him by Mr. W. H. Smythe, the Representative elected to the State Legislature from this district." The paper interpreted this action to be an affront to the freedom of the press.

In Washington he became a member of the Frontier Guard at the White House doing duty to protect Abraham Lincoln. The story is told that in April 1861 the President attempted to enter the East room, but the sentinel at the door had orders to admit no one without the counter sign. Mr. Lincoln it is said had to beat a retreat. Whether or not this sentinel was de Vivaldi is not known, but evidently he got to know President Lincoln for in August 1861, Lincoln appointed de Vivaldi to be Consul at Santos, Brazil. He served until 1869 and remained in Brazil.

Although the de Vivaldi family did not appear on any census for Kansas, it is known that his wife was Mary Frances Lowe and that they had a daughter, Corrine who was born in Kansas.

Evidently de Vivaldi left owing money. He was sued by James Humphrey and others. Notices concerning his delinquent payments were in the June and July issues of The Manhattan Express. In August 1863 there was a notice in the paper that the property of C. F. de Vivaldi would be sold at the sheriff's sale at the door of the Courtroom. The Pillsbury family moved from Deep Creek into Manhattan in the spring of 1863 and purchased the paper. On 12 August 1887, his daughter who had married Jose Alves Vicorts signed an affidavit in Rio de Janeiro stating that her father was presumed dead.

Henry Laffer
8th Mayor--1865-66; Age 39

In 1865, Henry Laffer was listed on the census as being a farmer, age 39, with real estate valued at $6000 and personal property, $13,000. He was born in OH. His wife, Helen, age 32, was born in OH. She was a daughter of the Riley County pioneer, Welcome Wells. They were living with him at the hotel. A son, C. W., age 7, born in OH, was also listed. This latter information indicates that the family did not come to KS until after 1858. Although the census stated that he was a farmer worth a considerable amount of money, the newspaper of the day reported that the "... SW 1/4, Sec 28, Twp 10 of R7E, owned by Henry and Helen Laffer was sold at a sheriff's sale on 1 August 1864 in favor of Geo. W. Uriah and Wm. P. Higgenbotham."

The Manhattan and Kansas River Bridge Company was founded in 1867 with Henry Laffer as a charter member. The company had ferries on the Kansas and Blue Rivers. The 1870 census lists Laffer as a ferryman, age 44, with $2500 real property and $7200 personal property. On this census was listed a second son, Otis, age 4 born in KS. Also with the family was a young physician, James A. Kehoe, age 27.

Between 1866 and 1869 Laffer built a stone hotel building called the Manhattan House on the south side of Poyntz at the east end of the 100 block. M. V. Gore was president of a group organized to finance the building, Henry Laffer was vice- president, E. C. Manning, secretary, and Edward Russell, treasurer.

The Laffer family did not appear on any census in Riley County after 1870, and no further information could be found about Henry Laffer. His wife, Helen Wells Laffer, died of consumption on 19 February 1879 at the age of 46. She is buried on the Welcome Wells plot in Sunset Cemetery.

Edwin C. Manning
11th Mayor--June 68-69; Age, 30

The eleventh mayor of Manhattan only lived in Manhattan about three years, from 1866-1869. He came to Manhattan from Marysville where he had been the editor of the Big Blue Union to start a newspaper named the Kansas Radical. In 1864, prior to his coming to Manhattan he had been at the age of 24 a state senator representing Marshall, Riley, and Washington counties. He never lived in Manhattan long enough to appear on any census record here. Manning left Manhattan to become the founder of Cowley County and the town of Winfield.

Manning was born in Redford, Clinton County, NY, 7 November 1838. In 1859 he started for Pike's Peak in search of gold, but returned and settled in Marysville, KS, Here he served as postmaster until the start of the Civil War. He served in the Second Kansas Infantry during the Civil War, as a private,

sergeant, and then first lieutenant. In 1863 he returned to Marysville where he organized and was made a colonel of a militia regiment for frontier protection.

His first wife was Delphine Pope. They had three children: Benjamin, Martha, and Ernest Frederick. Delphine died 20 February 1873. His second wife, whom he married in 1874, was Margaret J. Foster. Children of this marriage were Margaret Belle and another daughter, name unknown. His third wife was Linia Hall.

Colonel Manning served as president of the Kansas State Historical Society in 1910. The date of his death is not known.

Nathaniel A. Adams
12th Mayor--1869-70; Age 34
22nd Mayor--1880-81; Age 45

Nathaniel A. Adams was born in NY 14 September 1835. He attended Madison University (now Colgate University) and then at the age of twenty-four in 1859 he came to Manhattan. On the 1860 census he was listed as a farmer with real property worth $1500 and personal property, $400. His wife, A(manda) C. was 21 years of age. Amanda McComb was born in 1838 in the same NY neighborhood as Nathaniel Adams. They were married in 1859.

In 1862 he enlisted as a private in the 11th Kansas U.S. volunteers. When regiment G was organized, Adams was elected Captain. Later he received a commission as major from Abraham Lincoln. During his army tenure he was sent to Wyoming to help protect the west. He then returned to Manhattan. In 1868 he was a delegate to the convention which nominated U. S. Grant for president. A year later he was helping publish the Manhattan Homestead and the Land Register.

On the 1870 census he was listed as a R.R. agent with real property worth $44,000 and personal property, $11,000. A railroad agent was a person who bought property for railroad companies. Five years later he was listed as a grain dealer. Living with Nathaniel and his wife was a 13 year old girl, Emma C. Having not been on a previous census and not being mentioned in Adam's obituary, it is unlikely that she was a daughter. Amanda and Nathaniel Adams were communicants in St. Paul's Episcopal Church. On 9 April 1896, an Emma Adams was baptized in the church. In 1875 Nathaniel Adams was listed as a grain dealer and his monetary worth had declined to $15,000 and $2500.

In 1873, Adams was appointed to the Board of Regents for the Kansas Agricultural College in Manhattan. He was largely responsible for John A. Anderson being made president of the college, and as one historian wrote, "...then hades began." In 1876 he was nominated for governor at the KS Republican convention, but was not selected. On the 1880 census Adams was listed as a lumber dealer. He also built a three-story hotel building, named the Adams House on the southeast corner of Second Street and Poyntz Avenue. It was considered one of the finest hotels in Kansas outside of Topeka. On the 1885 census there were eight others listed with Adams and his wife. It is probable that these were men living in the hotel.

In 1883-1887, upon appointment by President Arthur, Adams served in the U. S. Pension Office in Topeka. He was appointed in 1887-1887 to serve on the State House Commission while the Capitol was being built. On 2 May 1895, Adams, who would have been sixty in September, died as the result of fatty degeneration of the heart. His wife died three months later, 29 July 1895. Both are buried in Sunset Cemetery.

George Wisner
14th Mayor--1872-73; Age 39

Although some references spelled the name as "Weisner", the family name as given in most sources, including census records and the Sunset Cemetery records is spelled, "Wisner."

George Wisner and his wife, Hulda, came to Manhattan in August 1858, from Galesburg, Illinois. George was born in Dundee, Illinois, 8 August 1833, one of twelve children. Hulda Wisner was born 31 August 1836. They were married 9 January 1855.

The 1860 census listed Geo. W. Weisner, age 27, druggist; H. R., 23, and Robert 3 mo. This census had both adults born in NY, and Robert in IL.

George Wisner came to Manhattan in 1858 and he started the first drug store in Manhattan. After they had been here a year, the Manhattan paper on 20 August 1859 reported that "George Weisner and his estimable lady served ice cream, cake, soda, and other refreshments at a cotillion party at the school house on 12 inst." George Wisner operated the drug store for seventeen years. Later he sold new and second hand stoves.

For five years the Wisners left Manhattan and went to Rockford in the Black Hills, but returned to Manhattan. The five years they were gone was probably between 1876 and 1884 because the family appeared on each federal and state census in 1865, 1870, 1875, but not on the 1880 census. They were then on the 1885 and 1900 census. The 1865 census lists a son A. H. age 8, but does not list Robert, who was on the 1860 census.

George died on 14 February 1900 from paralysis of the throat. His obituary stated that he was not only mayor in the early days, but also he served on the council. He was a member of both Odd Fellows and the Masonic Lodges. His wife, Huldah died on 1 July 1906 with dropsy. At the time of her death her obituary stated that a son Albert was in San Francisco at the time of the earthquake and had not been heard from since that time. A sequel to this story was found in a newspaper item dated 17 February 1934. It read as follows:

"A victim of senility, Albert H. Wisner, 77, member of one of Manhattan early families, died at 6:15 a. m.

Friday in the state hospital, Topeka, where he had been for five years.

"He was born in Galesburg, IL, in 1857, the son of Geo W. Wisner. The family lived in a large brick house in the 500 block of Humboldt. He spent his young manhood in Manhattan and attended K-State. He went in 1907 to California and remained until five years ago. His vocation was waiting tables. Burial was in Sunset Cemetery."

Israel K. Perry
16th Mayor--1874-75; Age 59

Very little information was available concerning Israel K. Perry. The first reference found was a list of parishioners of the Congregational Church. He and his wife, Jane, were members on 14 July 1867. On the 1870 census Israel was age 55, had a hardware store, and had $4000 real property and $3000 personal property. His wife, Jane, was 53. Living with them was a girl, Mary Perry, age 16. It is not known what her relationship was to Israel and Jane. All were born in CT. In 1875, Mary was not listed, but an Isabel Perry, age 27, born in MI was listed with the family.

Jane Walker Perry died 5 January 1876 at the age of 58 yr. 3 mo. She is buried in Sunset Cemetery. Israel, at the age of 62, married on 31 May 1877, Hattie V. Werden, 36, of Riley County. They were married in Manhattan by the Reverend Richard Wake.

The date of the death of Israel K. Perry and the place of his burial was not obtained.

Colonel Stephen A. Sawyer
18th Mayor--1876-77; Age 35

Colonel Stephen A. Sawyer came to Manhattan in 1872 from Peterboro, NH, the state in which he was born in 1841. In Manhattan he organized and was the first vice-president of the old First National Bank. He held the same office later in the Riley County Bank. In addition, Sawyer with a partner named Scott had a Loan and Insurance Agency. This firm had the only abstract books in the county.

On the 1875 census, Stephen Sawyer was listed as age 35, a banker, and holding property worth $4000. No family was listed with him. By 1885 he had acquired a wife. On that census his age was given as 43 and his wife, Cora, was age 23. His occupation was listed as farmer. Ten years later on the 1895 census his occupation was that of an auctioneer. Sawyer was known throughout Kansas as a successful auctioneer of livestock. He was known also for his breeding of blooded short horns and blooded poultry. It is not known how he received the title of Colonel, no reference told of any army activity. It is possible that this title was received because of his job as an auctioneer.

On 24 September 1899, Colonel Sawyer died after a three months illness from injuries received in a fall at Topeka. His wife continued to live in Manhattan. Cora Lippert Sawyer, who was born in 1860, was an invalid for more than thirty years. She died 19 July 1934. Episcopal services were held for both Col. and Mrs. Sawyer. Both are buried in Sunset cemetery.

WILLIAM DENT
19th Mayor--1877-78; Age 39

William Dent was born in Kendall, Westmoreland County, England in 1838. At the age of five he came with his parents to Brantford, Ontario. When he was 19 he was in Monmouth, IL. His wife, Lucinda was born in Rushville, NY in 1836. A daughter, Ella was born in IL in 1863. The family arrived in Manhattan before 1865, as they appeared on the census that year. Dent was listed as a merchant with personal estate worth $5000. A second daughter, Etta, was born in KS in 1866. According to the 1880 census a third daughter, Emma, was four years old. William Dent died of pneumonia on 29 March 1880. He was 42 years old. Prior to his death he worked for the Purcell interests. They had a bank, store, and offices, all of which closed for his funeral. In his obituary it is stated that his pleasant face and kind, cordial words would be missed.

When he was in Illinois he affiliated with the Baptist Church and was an active member in Manhattan.. He was also an organizer and long time president of the Choral Union. Dent served as mayor of Manhattan from 1877-1878. According to his obituary he had been ill for six years, so he was ill during his term as mayor. As a citizen, Dent had the confidence of the entire community.

Lucinda Dent died in Emporia 21 May 1921 at the age of 85. Her daughters were Etta Cravens, Ella Cool, and Emma Jones. Both William and Lucinda Dent are buried in Sunset Cemetery.

William M. Beverly
23rd Mayor--1881-1883; Age 41

The first census on which William M. Beverly and his wife, Julia, appeared was that of 1875. On that census he was listed as a merchant, age 34, born in PA, and having real property valued at $2000 and personal property, $2500. His wife Julia who was born in PA was 26. They had a daughter, Florence, age 3, born in KS. Living with them was a J. L. Beverly, age 30, also a merchant, born in PA.

On the 1880 census two children older than Florence were listed: Dorsey, a son, age 16, and Mary, a dau., age 14. Both of these children were born in PA and were listed as "at school." Evidently they did not come with the family to Manhattan in 1872, but came at a subsequent time. The 1880 census is the only census on which the names Dorsey and Mary appeared. At the time William Beverly died, however, his obituary said that his survivors included a daughter, Mrs. Florence Smith, a son Robert D. (Dorsey?), and a daughter Mrs. Mollie (Mary?) Elder.

Julia Beverly, William's wife, was the daughter of Zacharia Seff. She was born in Cambria County, PA, on 24 March 1846. She and William Beverly were

married in that county in January 1870. Julia died at the age of 39 on 3 May 1885. She is buried in Sunset Cemetery.

By the time of the 1895 census, William had remarried. The date nor place could not be determined. His second wife, Emma, was 55 on this census. She was five years younger than William. She was born in MI. Florence, age 28, was still living in the household.

The store which William M. Beverly had was the Spot Cash store on the corner of Poyntz Avenue and Second Street. One reference stated, "Prominent among the business houses of Manhattan is the one so long owned and conducted by Wm. M. Beverly, and familiarly known throughout the city and surrounding country as Beverly's store. Situated on the corner of Poyntz avenue and Second street, its business location could not be better. Mr. Beverly being a man of remarkable business ability, with but few equals as a salesman, established a large and flourishing trade, and it was a surprise to all when he sold out to Mr. Cooper, (Fall 1880) and retired from active business." William and Emma Beverly moved to California about 1918.

Emma preceded William in death by eight months. She died in Orange, CA on 11 May 1928. Her obituary stated that she was an enthusiastic W.C.T.U. worker. They brought her body back to Manhattan where she is buried in Sunset Cemetery in a plot separate from William and Julia.

William Beverly died in Los Angeles on 6 January 1929, at the age of 88 yr., 8 mo., and 10 da. and is buried by his first wife, Julia, in Sunset Cemetery.

1989 Dates to Remember (Cont. from p. 2)

May 17-20, National Genealgical Society's annual conference, St. Paul, MN
May 22, RCGS Regular Meeting, Public Library, Sherry Butler, James Cavenee, "My Favorite Ancestor."
June 14, Board Meeting
June 17, KS Council annual meeting/workshop, Cawker City, KS
July 8-17, KCGS sponsored 10th annual trip to Salt Lake City
July 12, Board Meeting
August 9, Board Meeting
September 13, Board Meeting
September 25, RCGS Regular Meeting, Public Library, Martha Streeter, "Streeter Family Tour of England."
September 30-October 9, KCGS sponsored trip to Washington, D.C. and Richmond, VA.
October 11, Board Meeting
October 14, RCGS Annual Workshop, Marilyn Wellauer
October 30, RCGS Regular Meeting, Public Library, Elaine Olney, "Pitfalls of Genealogical Research."
November 8, Board Meeting
November 27, RCGS Regular Meeting, Public Library, Stella Frey, "Colonial Probate Records."

THE TWO BIT FARE---A PIONEER'S STORY

This story was written by Ransom O. Blain on 23 May 1941 when he was 91 3/4 years old. He lived in Duarte, CA. The event he describes took place in the late spring or early summer of 1871, seventy years before he wrote the story. Mr. Donald R. Wood, Fort Collins, CO, sent the story to Kansas Kin. Mr. Wood previously had sent Mr. Blain's account which was the basis for "The Story of Two Little Graves in Riley County," which appeared in the August 1987 issue of Kansas Kin.

Greater understanding of the hardships of the pioneers can be gained from this story. The land Mr. Blain was acquiring was near Zeandale, yet he had to make a three day trip to Concordia to a land office to register his claim.

"Then I went to Concordia, 25 miles north over on the Republican river, to get papers on my land. When I got to Concordia and the land office, I found it crowded. There was no hope of getting in to get the desired papers for two or three days. So I drove on home going down the Republican River on the south side to Rocky Ford where I crossed it and went on the north side to Clay Center. I went through Clay Center and across the country, striking Wildcat Creek about 12 miles above Manhattan.

"The first night out from Concordia, I camped in a nice bunch of timber, I think on Elm Creek with a wagon load of men who had been to Concordia and taken out papers on land some where northwest of Clay Center. They were a jolly bunch and had a brand new Bain wagon. That was the first Bain wagon I had seen, but I have seen lots of them since and have owned several. I traveled with them nearly all the next forenoon until they left my road and turned off to the right. I have often wondered how they made out on their new land. I hope that they done better than I did on mine.

"The second night I camped on a small creek east of Clay Center. While I was not alone, I did not have so much or so genial company. I had not gone far the next morning before I caught up with a man on foot and I invited him to ride. He got in and I soon found out that he was a young man from Sweden and had a claim near Jewell Center in Jewell County and was going to Manhattan to see his uncle who lived in the west part of town. He thought that it would be imposing on me too much to ride with me nearly all day, so he asked what I would charge to take him to his uncle in Manhattan. I had to dig up 50 cents to pay my ferriage over the Kansas River at Manhattan, as I did not belong to the ferry company which charged 35 cents. So I offered to give him the lift for 25 cents. I have often thought what a goon I was, as he would have given 50 cents as quick as he did the 25 as it saved him a long walk and the expense of staying all night."

Divorces filed during territorial days of Kansas are on file at the National Archives, according to Margaret McCoy who is a staff member at the N.A. branch library in Kansas City and also president of Johnson County Genealogical Society.

AN EXCELLENT 5-GENERATION PROJECT FOR ALL MEMBERS OF RCGS

At the October general meeting of RCGS, Elaine Olney presented a plan for members of our Society. This plan could culminate perhaps in a book that we could sell to raise money for the Society, or it could result in a collection of materials to be used in our own Library for research purposes. Read Elaine's description of the project and then begin helping by writing. You will be helping the Society, but the biggest gain will be your personal satisfaction.

WRITE AND PRESERVE
by Elaine Olney

There is no greater thrill than digging into those obscure courthouse records and finding the name of an illusive ancestor. One feels like shouting aloud to those dusty old books, "Thank you." Now, your obligation has just begun. It is fun to do that research and make those discoveries, not quite so much fun to put the material in an organized format to hand down and preserve for future generations. All our research work can easily be lost if not organized and given to different family members and to a genealogical library. It is not as much fun to write it up, but the feeling of accomplishment is even greater.

I became quite overwhelmed when I first felt this obligation. I had discovered much new information that had taken years of work and I cringed at the thought of it being tossed into the trash. One cannot expect a family member or a genealogical library to take drawers of files and hundreds of family sheets and pedigree charts. The material must be condensed into a reasonable order readily understood by all. Not all of us have the ability to publish a book, but we can all organize our records and have copies made at a copy center, material bound and distributed. We must do this now, before it is too late. I hear the same argument that I have used. Let me find just a little more, just a little more evidence and proof. This argument is never ending, so I suggest we use a format that can easily be added to as we get more information. There is a simple way that we can all understand and I wish to help everyone interested to get started.

Format to Use

There is an accepted format for the vital records part of any family history, but that is not enough to preserve. We need to preserve facts of interest that turn a name into an interesting character that he is. Some material one may wish to keep confidential for just family members. This is fine. Let us have a first paragraph of vital information, a second paragraph of life facts, and third or more paragraphs for the sentimental recollections.

Let each of us do this for every number, in order, on our pedigree chart. This is a method that can be worked on as one has time, put away, and restarted, as time and inclination dictate. This method can be expanded to include pictures, signatures, copies of news items, etc. An appendix may be used to copy wills, Bible records, land records, whatever you deem important for each numbered person in your records. Do this for each person on your pedigree chart. If you do not have information on a certain number, go to the next one for whom you do have information.

The first paragraph should follow strict genealogical form. The vital records of wives will be included under their own numbers, so they need not be repeated under a husband's number.

Even # (male), s/o father and mother's maiden name, b. date and place, d. date and place, bur. place, m. date and place, wife's maiden name. Issue: Eldest child m. spouse's name; 2nd child, spouse's name; etc.

Odd # (Wife of the above. Husband's # plus 1), b., d. and bur.; m. give husband's name. There is no need to repeat the date as it is in the # above. Likewise there is no need to repeat the issue.

Example
(From my husband's family)

#4. Robert Charles Olney, s/o John Hamilton and Sybil Rhoda (Weed) Olney, b 27 Jan 1896 Silt CO; d 21 Apr 1982 Lincoln NE, bur Lincoln Memorial Park; m 26 Apr 1921 Cincinnati OH, Lillian Jeannette Yunker. Issue: Robert Dudley m Dorothy Elaine Washburn; Richard Chadwick m Marjorie Millicent Stapleton; John Edward m Karen Elizabeth Belsheim.

When three years old, Robert moved with his family to Furnas County NE where his grandfather Olney had obtained a Tree Patent. He spent his youth on the farm and attended District #41 country school and then Orleans HS. He also attended Franklin Academy, University of Nebraska, and graduated from Eclectic Medical School in Cincinnati OH in 1919. Following graduation he spent the rest of his life practicing medicine in Lincoln NE. He was a member of many medical societies, The Masons, and The Scottish Rite.

Challenge

SET A GOAL FOR YOURSELF AND STICK TO IT. IF YOU WRITE UP ONE PERSON A WEEK YOU WILL HAVE 52 ANCESTORS PRESERVED BY THE END OF A YEAR--A GREAT START.

If you have questions about this or any suggestions, please contact me at the Riley County Genealogical Society.

Elaine Olney

MEMBERS DESIRING HELP WITH THEIR 5-GENERATION CHART PROJECT, SEE EDITOR'S NOTES, p.3 FOR DATES WHICH HAVE BEEN SET.

DICKINSON COUNTY SWEDISH IMMIGRANT: ANDREW P. OLSON OF ENTERPRISE

RCGS member, Tom Branigar of Abilene, Kansas, continues to share his research on the Swedish immigrants in Dickinson County with the following article about the A. P. Olson family members.

The large group of Swedish families that lived near Enterprise in Center twp, Dickinson co, KS, is well documented due to the work of Mrs. Ellen Peterson who spent many years compiling information on the earliest immigrants. Although she did not cover all of the families, it is sometimes possible to trace the families she missed if enough clues can be found to permit identification of their home parish.

One such family which has successfully been located in Sweden is that of Andrew and Carin Olson who immigrated to America in 1873. They spent a year at Junction City, KS, and then settled near Enterprise in 1874 where they lived the rest of their lives. Carin d 24 Aug 1898 and Andrew d 22 May 1902. Both are buried in the Mt Hope cemetery at Enterprise.

The obituaries of Andrew Olson (Enterprise Star 5 June 1902 and Enterprise Journal 30 May 1902) and their oldest son August Olson (Enterprise Push and Journal 21 July 1921) indicate that the family came from Oland, Sweden. Oland is a long, narrow island off the southeast corner of the country. In ancient times it was a separate province, but was made part of Kalmar County following the administrative reorganization of Sweden in 1632. During a visit to the Family History Library in Salt Lake City the immigration registers of Kalmar County for 1873 were searched for information on the family. These indicated that the Olsons had come from Gardslosa parish on the northern part of Oland Island. The Gardslosa parish records, in turn, provided information on the ancestry of Andrew and Carin Olson, as well as the birth dates of all of their children who had been born in Sweden.

This article is based on the Gardslosa parish registers and on the holdings of the Dickinson County Historical Society in Abilene, KS.

A. Olaf Anderson, father of Andrew Olson, was b 18 Dec 1807. He m 9 Mar 1833 in Gardslosa parish to Maria Larsdotter who was b 10 May 1803. They spent all their married life at Nedra Bagby in Gardslosa parish where their 4 children were born. Maria d 29 Feb 1864 and Olaf d 5 Dec 1872.

Children of Olaf Anderson and Maria Larsdotter:

i. Anna Johanna, b 21 Jan 1834
ii. Cajsa Lisa, b 27 Feb 1837
1 iii. Anders Peter, b 21 May 1840
iv. Stina Maria, b 1 Oct 1843

B. Pehr Pehrsson, father of Karin Olson, was b 10 Jan 1807. He m 28 Nov 1828 in Gardslosa parish to Eva Johansdotter who was b 25 Sept 1804. They spent their married life at Jamjo in Gardslosa parish where their 5 children were born.

Children of Pehr Pehrsson and Eva Johansdotter:

i. Anna Maria, b 1 July 1831
ii. Brita Lisa, b 7 Dec 1833
iii. Stina, b 27 Apr 1836; d 21 Sept 1844
1 iv. Carin, b 21 Feb 1839
v. Louisa, b 21 May 1843

1. Andrew Peter Olson, b 21 May 1840 in Gardslosa parish, Kalmar co, Sweden, the Swedish form of his first name being "Anders." He m 1861 to Carin Pehrsdotter who was b 21 Feb 1839. They lived in Gardslosa parish where their first 5 children were born. In 1873 the family immigrated to the US. They spent several months at Junction City, KS, and then settled near Enterprise where their last 4 children were born. Andrew d 22 May 1902 and Carin d 24 Aug 1898. Both are buried in the Mt Hope cemetery at Enterprise.

Children of Andrew Peter Olson and Carin Pehrsdotter:

2 i. Pehr August, b 23 Jan 1862
3 ii. Ida Elizabeth, b 3 Apr 1864
4 iii. Pehr Walfred, b 1 Nov 1866
5 iv. Emilie Adolfina, b 10 June 1869
6 v. Lydia Matilda Annette, b 8 Mar 1872
7 vi. Eva Mary, b about 1874
vii. Albert Ture, b Jan 1877; d 5 July 1877, age 6m; buried Mt. Hope cemetery
8 viii. Albertina, b 28 Apr 1878
ix. a child, d young, name and dates unknown

2. August Olson b 23 Jan 1862 in Gardslosa parish. The Swedish form of his name was Pehr August, but he generally went by his middle name as an adult in the US. He immigrated to the US 1873 and grew up at Enterprise. He m 1 Jan 1887 to Augusta Rissman. She was b about 1866 in Saxony, Germany, the dau of Henry Rissman and Henrietta Scheidler. The Rissman family immigrated to the US in 1869 and settled south of Enterprise in Newbern twp, Dickinson co, KS. August and Augusta lived at Enterprise where their 2 sons were born and where they appeared in the 1900 census. About 1903 they moved to Herington, Dickinson co, KS, where they lived the rest of their lives. August d 17 July 1921 and was bur at the Mt Hope cemetery at Enterprise. Augusta m2 to _____ Lillie and d 11 July 1950 at Herington (Dickinson Co probate file 7048).

Children of August Olson and Augusta Rissman:

i. Clarence August, b 2 Nov 1887 at Enterprise; mov to Herington 1903 where he lived the rest of his life; m 20 Oct 1915 at Delavan, Morris co, KS to Anna Schrader; had 4 daus; d 29 Apr 1970 (obituary Herington Advertiser-Times 7 May 1970)
ii. Emmett Carl, b 21 Aug 1891, Enterprise; d 3 Apr 1954 at Herington; unmarried; bur in the Sunset Hill cemetery at Herington (obituary Herington Advertiser-Times 8 Apr 1954)

3. Ida Elizabeth Olson, b 3 Apr 1864, Gardslosa parish; immigrated to the US 1873 and grew up in Enterprise. She m 25 Aug 1885 to Edward Blaich in Dickinson co. At the time of her mother's death in

1898 they were living at Kiowa, Barber co, KS (according to Carin's obituary in Enterprise Journal 25 Aug 1898). Ida probably died prior to May 1902 as she was not listed in her father's obituary. No further information.

4. Walfred Olson b 1 Nov 1866 in Gardslosa parish. The Swedish form of his name was Pehr Walfred, but he generally went by his middle name as an adult in the US. He immigrated to the US in 1873 and grew up at Enterprise. He was living at Enterprise at the time of his mother's death in 1898 but later moved to California. He was living at Ravensdale, CA, in 1921 and at San Francisco, CA, in 1936. No further information.

5. Emma Olson, b 10 June 1869 in Gardslosa parish, the Swedish form of her name being Emilie Adolfina. She immigrated to the US in 1873 and grew up at Enterprise. She ml 29 June 1894 in Dickinson co, to Frederick William Keller and settled at Leavenworth, KS, where she lived the rest of her life. Frederick was b 27 July 1865 at Leavenworth and d 19 Mar 1915 at Leavenworth (obituary Leavenworth Times 20 Mar 1915). Emma m2 to Benjamin I. Burgess. The last 12y of her life she was an ordained minister of the Pentecostal Faith church at Leavenworth. She d 29 Nov 1936 at home in Leavenworth and was bur in the Mount Muncie cemetery (obituary in Leavenworth Times 30 Nov 1936).
Known child of F.W. Keller and Emma Olson:
i. Corinne, m _____ Crowe; living at Chanute, KS in 1936

6. Lydia Matilda Annette Olson, b 8 Mar 1872 in Gardslosa parish. She immigrated to the US in 1873 and grew up in Enterprise where she lived the rest of her life. She m 25 July 1892 to Edd Johnson. Edd was b 6 Oct 1865 in Sweden. He immigrated to the US aged 21y and settled at Enterprise. Lydia d 24 Mar 1930 and was bur at the Mt Hope cemetery at Enterprise (obituary Enterprise Journal 27 Mar and 3 Apr 1930 and Dickinson County probate file 4938) In 1932 Edd moved to Hoisington, KS, to live with their dau. They moved to Wichita, KS in 1942. Edd d 27 Apr 1944 at Wichita and was bur in the Mt Hope cemetery (obituary Enterprise Journal 4 May 1944).
Children of Edd Johnson and Lydia Olson:
i. Infant, d 2 Feb 1893, age 2m 1d; buried Mt Hope cem
ii. Vada, b after the 1900 census; graduated from Enterprise High School 1923; m David Edwards and settled at Hoisington, KS, where they were living in 1930; mov to Wichita, KS, 1942; mov to Boise, ID, 1948; d 11 Nov 1986 at Boise, ID (death notice in Abilene Reflector-Chronicle 12 Nov 1986)

7. Eva Mary Olson, b about 1874 and lived all her life in the Enterprise area. She m 28 Sept 1898 in Dickinson co to Emery Brooks who was b Sept 1875 in Iowa. They had no children. May d 23 Sept 1899 and was buried in an unmarked grave next to her mother at the Mt Hope cemetery at Enterprise (death notice Enterprise Journal 28 Sept 1899). The 1900 census shows the unmarried Emery Brooks living with his father Phillip Brooks in Grant twp, Dickinson co, KS. Emery m2 shortly after the 1900 census to Agnes Brightbill. They had 6 children, 3 of whom d in infancy. They were divorced in the 1920s and Emery moved to Newman, CA, where he d in March 1944 (death notice Enterprise Journal 23 Mar 1944)

8. Albertina Olson, generally known as Bertha, b 28 Apr 1878 at Enterprise where she grew up. She m 28 Sept 1898 in Dickinson co to Albert Purdy. Albert was b 27 Mar 1876 near Abilene, Dickinson co, KS, the son of James W. Purdy and Elizabeth Creach. James was a Civil War veteran who settled near Abilene about 1865. He was an 8th generation descendant of Francis Purdy who immigrated from England to Fairfield, CT, in the early 1630s. The line of descent runs: Francis, Francis, Francis, Peter, Peter, Josiah, Stephen, James W. For details see "James W. Purdy of Abilene, Kansas and His Ancestors" by Reynold Reep (copy in Dickinson Co Historical Society).Albert and Bertha farmed near Enterprise until 1920 when they moved into Abilene. Bertha d 30 Sept 1945 (obituary Enterprise Journal 1 Nov 1945) and Albert d 17 Jan 1967 (obituary Abilene Reflector-Chronicle 24 Jan 1967). Both are buried in the Abilene cemetery.
Children of Albert Purdy and Bertha Olson:
i. Cora, b Sept 1899; graduated from Enterprise High School 1919; m A.D. Hurt; living at Boise, ID, 1945 and 1967
ii. Elmer, b after 1900 census; currently lives at Abilene, KS; m Hermine Deutscher; had 1 dau
iii. Dale, b about 1918; served in World War II; living at Norristown, PA, 1967; d 22 Feb 1988 at Boise, ID (death notice Abilene Reflector-Chronicle 24 Feb 1988); married and had 2 ch, 1 of whom d in infancy.

EARLY DAY MOTORISTS IN MANHATTAN
(The Nationalist, 29 August 1914)

Thirty members of the Manhattan Motor Club had signed up to make the trip to the Riley Fair. Following is the list with the make of auto they will be driving:

S. Jas. Pratt - Chalmers	A. A. Paige - Cole
Geo. W. Southern - Ford	J. O. Bates - Ford
Wm. Deibler - Jeffrey	Dr. J. D. Colt - Jeffrey
J. A. Bachman - Jackson	Jacob Springer - Kissel
N. E. Engle - Krit	J.Q.A. Shelden - Maxwell
W. H. Rhodes - Maxwell	Dr. J.E. Taylor - Maxwell
B. F. Bailey - Maxwell	J. W. Haege - Marathon
S. N. Higinbotham - Rambler	J. C. Frey - Rambler
Roscoe E. Hey - Rambler	Alf Worrell - Rambler
R. C. Frank - R C. H.	W. R. Yenawine - Regal
Ned W. Kimball - Studebaker	E. E. Huse - Regal
C. B. Know - Regal	George Austin - Auburn
Dr. J. C. Wilhoit - White	Elmer N. Jones - Oakland

S. A. Bardwell - Warren-Detroit
Geo. T. Fielding - Thomas Flyer
S. H. Kunau - Stoddard-Dayton
Whitford Alexander - White



Bible Records

THE MOODY FAMILY BIBLE

(This Bible is in the possession of Richard D. Plummer, R.R.1, Box 24, St. Marys, KS 66526)

The Frontispiece reads: The People's Standard Edition of the HOLY BIBLE containing the Old and New Testaments and the apocryphal writings, translated from the Hebrew and Greek, and carefully compared with former translations Published by Ziegler & McCurdy, Philadelphia, Pa. 1872.

This Certifies that the Marriage Contract between Edwin Millard Moody of East Landaff and Mary Jane Kendall of East Landaff was duly solmnized by me at West Landaff on the 30 day of June One Thousand Eight Hundred and 63. Witness present, Mrs. Harriat Cogswell and Earl Cogswell; Married by Elder Leo Cogswell.

CERTIFICATE

This Certifies that the Rite of Holy Matrimony was celebrated between Isaac Burford Plummer of Moodyville and Orra L. Moody of Moodyville on Dec 11, 1890 at Westmoreland by Rev. T. V. Davis. Witness J. H. Plummer, Annie Robsonor

MARRIAGES

Marie Relief Moody, Bert A. Frick, Nov. 16, 1881
Lizzie Miranda Moody, Mauriace Sheahon, Jan 10, 1882
Orra L. Moody, Burford I. Plummer, Dec. 11, 1890
Maud Moody, Willam L. Good, March 4, 1896
Forrest Moody, Agnes May Degraw, Oct. 10, 1900
Grace Moody, Oliver Griffin, Oct. 3, 1900
Nathan Moody, Inez Tryon, Oct. 22, 1908
Sargent Moody, Rhoda Chamberlin, Nov. 6, 1909
Irene Frick, Forrest Monroe, Nov. 6, 1907
Ethel Sheahon, Earnest Lenard, Nov. 6. 1907
Earl Sheahon, Rose Doyle, June 1, 1910

BIRTHS

Edwin Millard Moody, Oct. 29 -1841
Mary Jane Kendall, Dec. 26 -1844
Mary Relief Moody, Jan 12 -1865
Lizzie Mianda Moody, May 3 -1867
Bennie Moody, Sept. 11 -1869
Orra Lois Moody, Dec 15 -1871
Edwin Forrest Moody, Nov. 18 -1865
Maud Sophia Moody, Dec. 8 -1875
Grace Greenwood Moody, Feb. 12 -1878
Sargent Moody, Jan. 10 -1880
Nathan William Moody, Feb 1. -1887
Blanche E. Moody, Nov. 5 -1888
Mary Irene Frick, May 28 -1888
Hazel Leah Frick, Nov. 19, 1890
Earl Bennie Sheahorn, July 3, 18
Ethal Pearl Sheahon, Sep. 30 18--
Edwin Simon Sheahon, Aug 17-18--
Angell Buford, Feb. 2, 1903
Lulu Cleo Plummer, April 7, 1892
Bennie Leslie Plummer, Sep 23, 1893
Roland Clair Plummer, Nov. 20, 1896
Leon Carlton Good, Set. 7, --
Hary Forrest Moody, Aug 9, .1901
Ila Mae--, May 22, 1903
--
Edwin Lewis Moody,--

DEATHS

Sargant Moody, born Feb. 6, 1799-Died Feb. 18,1881
Relief Moody, born Oct 24, 1801, Died Feb 25, 189-
Bennie Moody, Died June 22, 1890
Lulu Cleo Plummer, Sep 8, -1892
Blanche E. Moody, Nov 24, 1911
Mary Jane Moody, Jan. 13, 1911
Jack or Oliver Moody Griffin, Nov. 24, 1911
baby Griffin, Nov. 24, 1911
Leslie Plummer, Mar 28-1921
Winnifred Elizabeth, Mar 22, 1918
E. M. Moody, Aug 26, 1934
Berf Plummer, Mar. 5, 1939 (Isaac Burford)
Burford N. Plummer, Nov. 20-1939
Orra Lois Plummer, June 23, 1945
Argell Buford Plummer, Nov. 19, 1952
L. Plummer, 1951
Roland Clair Plummer, Dec 1960

The following were inserted on extra pages

Births

Maya Moody
Winnifred Elizabeth, Jan. 22 - 1915
Herbert Edward Mcgee
Marjorie Sheahon
Roabert Sheahon
Winnifred Marsella Sheahon
Richar
Benjaman Lenard
Doitha Jane Lenard
Elizabeth Jane Lenard
Bernard Leslie Plummer, Oct. 2, 1916
Burford Nelson Plummer, June 17 -1918
Roland Byron Plummer, JUne 9 - 1920

Married
Hazle Frick, Edd McGee
Leslie Plummer, Edna Mills, Aug. 17, 1914
Edwin Sheahon, Elizabeth Chubbie
Edwin Sheahon, Lela Fuller
Theodore--, Catherin Delta

(No title on page)
Nathan Moody, Feb 1, 1887
Inez Belle Tryon, Jan. 16 1890

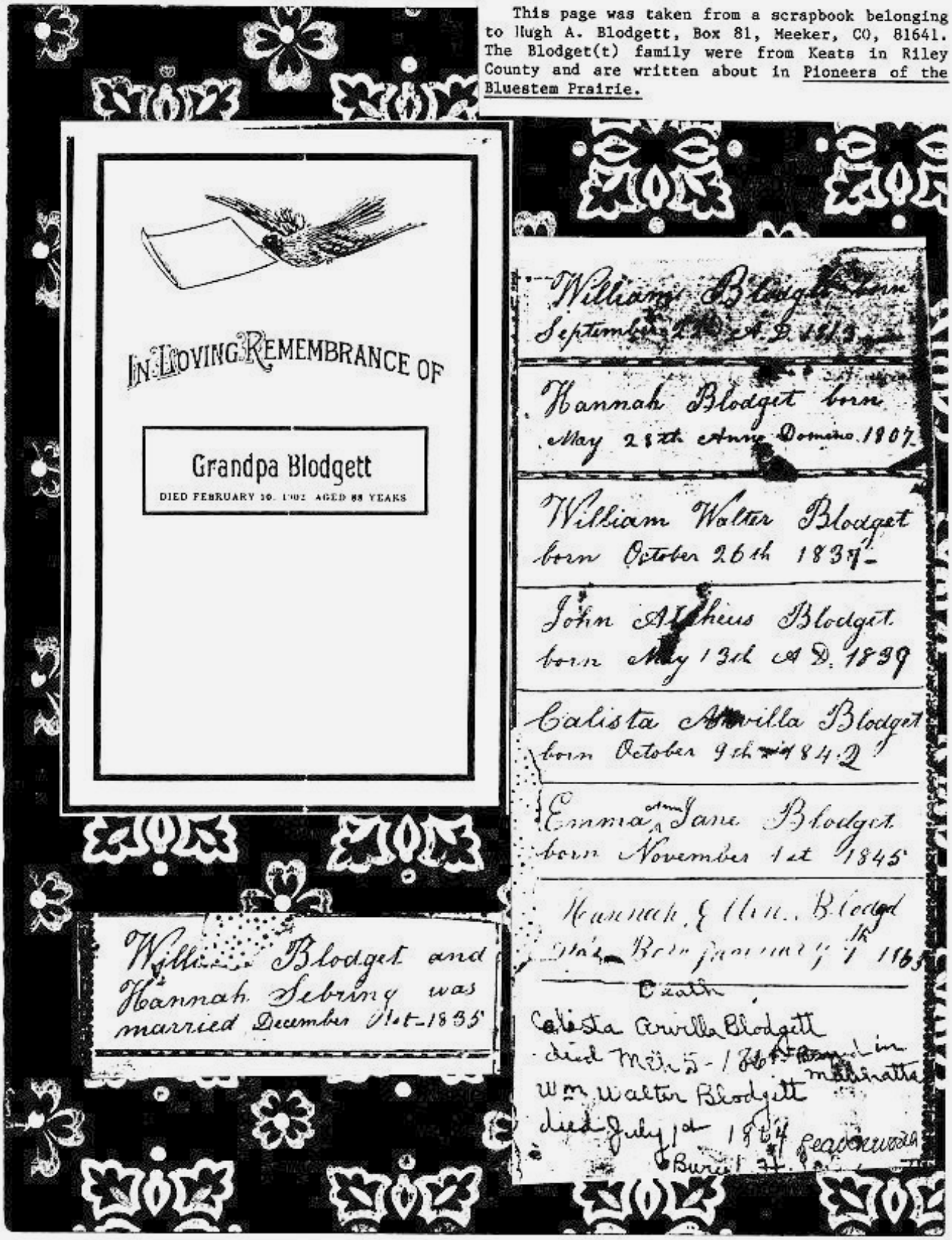
Married Oct 22, 1908
Jula Jan, Jan 26 1911
Lyle Cordner, Nov 10, 1913
Earl Sheahon, July 8 1884
Rose Doyl, Nov 18 - 1885

Married June 1 1910
Marjorie Louise, April 7, 1911
Robert Earl, Aug 23, 1913
Winifred Marsella, Jan. 31, 1915
Genieve, Nov 1916

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BIBLE RECORD OF WILLIAM BLODGET

This page was taken from a scrapbook belonging to Hugh A. Blodgett, Box 81, Meeker, CO, 81641. The Blodget(t) family were from Keats in Riley County and are written about in Pioneers of the Bluestem Prairie.



IN LOVING REMEMBRANCE OF

Grandpa Blodgett

DIED FEBRUARY 20, 1902 AGED 88 YEARS

William Blodgett born September 2nd A.D. 1813

Hannah Blodget born May 28th Anno Domino 1807

William Walter Blodget born October 26th 1837

John Alpheus Blodget born May 13th A.D. 1839

Calista Orvilla Blodget born October 9th 1842

Emma Jane Blodget born November 1st 1845

Hannah E. Blodget born January 1st 1865

William Blodget and Hannah Sebring was married December 31st 1835

Death

Calista Orvilla Blodgett died May 5 - 1866 Buried in Manhattan

Wm Walter Blodgett died July 1st 1864 Leavenworth Buried at



Church Records

CHAPMAN CREEK WESLEYAN CHURCH CHARGE
CLAY COUNTY, KANSAS

Chapman Creek Charge was composed of two classes (or churches), one being located in Athelstane Twp., and known as Wesley Chapel, and one in Exeter Twp. known as Bethany Chapel both of Clay County.

Minutes of the Kansas Conference list Chapman Creek as one of the appointments as early as 1873. "The local report is as follows: 'This neighborhood began to be settled by eastern people in 1872. Here they were without a church or religious privileges, as a flock without a shepherd or fold. The dear brethern would gather their families together in humble devotions in their own homes, asking the Giver of all good things to send the gospel to them.'"

"On Dec. 25, 1875, Rev. Josiah Ayers was called to the home of A. H. Hibler to perform a marriage ceremony of the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hibler. In conversation with the family, Rev. Ayers discovered that they were spiritually minded, and that several other families in the neighborhood were also Christians. He was deeply affected by this news, and asked permission to come and preach for them. On March 8, 1876, he organized a class of considerable strength, which was known as the 'Hibler class' because the services were held in Bro. Hibler's home." Eight persons were listed as charter members.

In the summer of 1878's, the West Exeter school house was built in the neighborhood, and then services were held in it. During the same year a meeting was held in the new school which resulted in a large number of people being converted, and the organization of another, class, later known as the "Bethany Class."

Until 1948, Wesley and Bethany Chapel churches were served by the same ministers. That year they were divided and each became an appointment by itself. Wesley chapel located in SW 1/4 of 6-10-2, was built on land donated by Sam Miller and was completed in Jan. 1892 and dedicated in February 1892. Wesley Chapel closed in 1967. Eleven of the remaining members joined with Bethany Chapel. The Bethany Chapel church was built on the SW corner of SW 1/4 of 20-9-2 in 1890. During the pastorate of Wayne Caldwell who pastored Bethany from 1948-50, a parsonage was moved in and dedicated. This church has been called a "Light House" on the corner and welcomes you today.

Family names on Wesley Chapel rolls include Hibler, Lewis, Macy, Mack, Miller, O'Neal, and Lockridge. Names on the Bethany Chapel rolls include Woodhams, Lloyd, James, Craig, Schooley, McKale, and Tiers.

These ministers have served the Chapman Creek charge: Josiah Ayers, J. T. Kiggins, F. A. Pixley, Luther Wing, Wm. Person, K. M. Fisk, Geo. Furmiss, J. O. Bernhard, Joseph Campbell, O. W. Cooper, V. C. Toliaferro, Truman Ford, C. M. Bamford, S. F. Wilson, F. C. Hill, P. A. Miller, E. H. Cook, D. I. Grout, W. L. Carkuff, I. L. DeWitt, W. A. Smith, L. S. Currie, F. F. Child, V. C. Martin, E. A. Coates, E. H. Dunbar, W. M. Millard, Ross & Fern Mahin, C. J. Mowrer, James LaRue, S. M. Yonally, Geo. Beals, G. R. Hoerner, Lowell I. Gilger, W. Emerson, and E. J. Carry.



Cemetery Records

WESLEYAN CEMETERY

Located in the NW corner of the SW 1/2 of 31-9-2 in Exeter Township, Clay County, Kansas, four and one-half miles east and one and one-half miles south of Oak Hill, Kansas. This cemetery was used by the two churches of the Chapman Creek Wesleyan Church Charge--Wesley and Bethel Chapels. The cemetery was read 13 November 1988.

ARMSTRONG, Clayton H., b. 2 Nov. 1914, d. 16 Apr. 1918, son of B & N Armstrong
BRENNER, Paul L., b. 16 July 1903, d. 1 Mar. 1940, m. 20 Aug. 1924
Children: Vonley, Patricia & Harvey
Herman A., b. 12 Oct 1898, d. 18 Feb. 1937
Meda M., b. 4 Nov. 1896, d. 18 May 1970
Oscar, b. 13 Aug. 1892, d. 28 Mar. 1905
BUELL, Mary E., (African Missionary), b. 31 Oct. 1883, d. 3 Jan. 1918
CHILD, Theron, son of Cecil & Della, b. 14 Aug. 1938, d. 22 June 1941
DOWNS, Earl, 1904-1980
M. Eugenia, 1899-1969
Robert E., 1934-1943
EMRICH, George W., b. 22 Feb. 1838, d. 14 Nov. 1929, G.A.R. 1861-1865
Eliza J., b. 23 Jan. 1847, d. 3 Apr. 1918
EVANS, Richard C., b. 26 Jan 1846, d. 10 Mar. 1917
Dorinda E., b. 9 May 1857, d. 27 Jan. 1938
Irvin, b. 27 June 1891, d. 23 June 1965
Laura, d. 14 May 1887, 5 y. 5 m. 9 d.
FLETCHER, Lester R., b. 30 May 1897, d. 30 Sept 1981
Ruth M., b. 5 Nov. 1895, m. 23 Sept 1923, d.
Children: Lola, Albert, Rolland, Ruth, Carol, Esther, & Rebecca
FORD, Truman, b. 2 Oct 1856, Westlima, Wis., d. 1 Aug 1933, Oak Hill, KS
Hattie F., b. 30 Aug. 1875, Oakhill, KS, d. 1 Jan. 1865, Concordia, KS
HIBLER, Alfred H., d. 23 June 1902, 75 y. 1 m., 10 d.
Mary D., b. 29 June 1904, 74 y. 8 m. 17 d.
E. W., b. 1854, d. 1927
Mattie (his wife), 1854-1916
Alfred L., b. 6 July 1884, d. 22 Apr. 1914, son of E. W. & M.
HIBLER, child, d. 21 Aug. 1886, 1 m. 9 d.
Mary G., d. 8 Sept. 1886, 1 m. 26 d.
Charles L., b. 30 July 1885, d. 30 July 1885
Nora G., d. 28 Nov. 1887, 1 m. 21 d.

HOCKETT, Lloyd, b. 20 Oct. 1884, d. 4 Jan. 1919
JAMES, Richard, 1844-1920
Mary J., 1843-1926
Addie D., 1869-1925
Ruth M., b. 12 July 1913, d. 2 May 1915
Dorothy Lee, 1912-1912, dau. C. V. & M. L. James
Charles Ray, 1913-1913, son C. V. & M. L. James
John G., 1868-1938
Mary E., 1876-1944
Emmett R., b. 28 July 1896, d. 11 Nov. 1936
Hazel, b. 18 Feb. 1898, d. 25 Aug. 1985
Dwight Wendell, b. 21 Oct 1925, d. 10 Jan. 1926
Paul Elbert, b. 14 Dec. 1927, d. 16 Dec. 1927, son of D. E. & M. E. James
Leaman, b. 6 Aug. 1928, d. 6 Aug. 1928
Clinton, b. 23 Nov. 1904, d. 26 Apr. 1936
Ira, b. 5 Oct. 1901, d. 1 Sept. 1969
JOHNSON, Infant son, d. 4 Mar. 1915
Beth C., b. 30 May 1916, d. 1 Mar. 1917
(Children of A. B. and E. Johnson)
LEWIS, Howard M., 1887-1940
Ethel M., 1886-1963
Merle Macy, b. 28 May 1911, d.
Loretta May, b. 27 Jan. 1914, d. 30 Aug. 1975
David Merle, b. 5 May 1949, d. 19 June 1965, (son of M. M. & L. M.)
EWIS, Levi L., d. 6 Mar 1896, 52 y. 5 m. 16 d.
George E., b. 22 Apr 1863, d. 23 Mar. 1928
Lilus J., b. 6 Dec. 1868, d. 5 May 1918
Ford, b. 13 Jan 1857, d. 30 Dec. 1943
Huldah J. McGEE, b. 11 Oct 1867, d. 14 Dec. 1944
(sister of Ford, both born in Sussex Co., N.J)
Edward L., b. 29 Dec. 1832, d. 13 Mar. 1916
Emily C., b. 6 July 1835, d. 26 Feb. 1915
William, b. 7 Aug. 1858, d. 19 Mar. 1895
LLOYD, Richard, 1847-1922
Jane Emma, 1843-1926
Alice Emily, d. 9 Feb. 1880, 2 y. 12 m.
MACY, Isaac N., 1842-1933
Rebecca, 1840-1921
Ray, son of I. N. & R., d. 2 Mar. 1889, 7 y. 7m.
Henry E., 1867-1938
Lillie P., 1872-1963
Lester D., b. 23 May 1898, d. 11 Dec. 1923
Albert L., 1871-1942
Millie E., 1871-1899
Hattie B., 1869-1941
Earl, 1883-1954
Jessie M., 1889-1951
Ethel Luella, b. 23 Nov 1916, d. 25 Mar. 1919, (dau. of E & J. Macy)
Rolland, 1890-1979
Hattie, 1890-1984
Margaret, 1920-
William L., b. 29 Apr. 1869, Bangor, IA, d. 7 July 1933, Miltonvale, KS
Alice L., b. 3 June 1870, Junction City, KS, d. 5 Jan. 1956, Miltonvale, KS
Bessie May, dau., b. 27 June 1894, d. 17 Jan. 1903
Harold J., b. 20 July 1900, d. 20 Oct. 1981
Mildred G., b. 29 Mar 1902, d.
C. Edgar, b. 18 Oct. 1909, d. 25 June 1988
Vinita V., b. 8 Apr. 1913, d. 15 Feb 1982
(Parents of Norman, Marvin, Ted)
Terry Lee, 1969-1985
Alton B., b. 13 June 1918, d.
Ruth M., b. 26 July 1917, d. 17 Feb. 1984
(parent of David, Laura, Thomas, Wesley, John)
Ralph L., b. 24 Feb. 1891, d. 4 July 1976
Goldie, b. 20 Oct., 1897, d. 17 Jan. 1977
(Parents of Alton)
MACY, Delilah, d. 29 Jan 1897, 85 y. 2 m. 22 d.
McGEE, Delbert, 1863-1934
Nettie, 1866-1938
Carl O., 20 Jan. 1898, d. 24 Nov. 1964
(Colorado, P.F.C. Btry. C, Fld. Arty, WWI
Jessie, d. 13 July 1890, 22 m. 10 d.
McMANN, Charles W., d. 9 Nov 1879, 29 y.
McSPARRIN, Joe, d. 24 Mar. 1909, 4 y. 7 m. 9 d.
MILLER, Samuel, b. 14 July 1834, d. 15 July 1909
Elizabeth, b. 13 Nov. 1841, d. 1 July 1925
MOSES, Leon M., 1883-1923
Bertha, 1887-1972
(Parents of Lela, Lola, Beulah, Fern, Wilfred, & Avis)
NELSON, Lillus Elaine, dau. of E. & V. Nelson, 1940-1941
O'NEAL, John M., b. 22 Oct. 1855, d. 25 Oct. 1918
Hannah, b. 25 July 1866, d. 9 Apr. 1928
Roy B., b. 28 Nov. 1887, d. 28 June 1958
PERSONS, Isabell, grandmother (no dates)
READ, George C., 1854-1924
Sarah F., 1859-1928
Frank, b. 29 Apr. 1896, d. 11 Aug. 1971
Kansas, P.V.T., U. S. Army WWI
SCHRYVER, John, 1849-1930
Nancy, 1850-1939
STANTON, Rev. Clayton D., b. 7 Apr. 1915, d.
Leah R., nee Macy, b. 3 Sept. 1906, d.
(married 28 Apr. 1956)
THORP, Leslie W., b. 10 Mar. 1915, d. 11 Nov. 1985
Rebecca M., b. 19 Jan. 1915, d.
married 18 July 1937
Leslie R., d. 27 Dec. 1941
Glenda M., b. 27 Mar. 1940, d. 1 Apr. 1940

IS THIS THE WAY OUR ANCESTORS FORECAST THE WEATHER?

Old-Timey Weather Predictions
Every Man Should Be His Own Weather Forecaster

It Will Snow If:

Grouse shake their feathers at night; turkeys sit in trees and refuse to come down; cows bellow in the evening; cats sit with their backs to the fire; dry leaves rattle in the trees; rabbits take to open country; many meteors fall; black clouds gather in the north in Winter; burning wood pops more than usual in winter; your aunt's first cousin's back aches.

It Will Thaw If:

Old sheep eat little; cats wash their faces; hogs rub themselves in Winter; snowflakes get bigger.

It Will Be A Long Hard Winter If:

The leaves are slow to fall; bushes are thick with berries; squirrels grow unusually bushy tails; Autumn has a lot of fog; the skin on the belly of a catfish is unusually thick; the mole digs his hole 2 1/2 feet deep, the Winter will be mild if only 1 foot deep; October was warm; onion skins are thin.("Onion's skin very thin, mild Winter coming in; onion's skin thick and tough, coming Winter cold and rough.")

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Book Reviews

RILEY COUNTY, KANSAS, MARRIAGE INDEX (BRIDE AND GROOM), August 14, 1906 - June 15, 1914. Compiled by the Riley County Historical Society, Published by the Riley County Genealogical Society, 2005 Claflin Rd., Manhattan Ks, 66502. Paperback, 1988, 50 p. $10.00 + 55¢ tax (Ks res.) + $2.00 postage.

Applicants for marriage licenses are alphabetized by both the name of the groom and the name of the bride. The wedding date is given, as are the designated letters of the record books from which the information was obtained and the page numbers.

THE HISTORY OF NOBLE COUNTY, INDIANA, 100 YEARS OF NOBLE COUNTY. Compiled and published by the Noble County History Book Committee, 1986. Hardback, 439 pp.

This history is the result of the combined efforts of the Noble County Historical Society, Stone's Trace Historical Society, and the Noble County Genealogical Society.

The first pages are a historical sketch of the county. The county was named for James Noble. He was an eloquent stump speaker, frontier lawyer, and eventually a general in the militia. He was a senator from Indiana from 1816 until his death in 1831.

Pages 10 through 400 have sections on cities and townships, churches, organizations, families, tributes, and memorials, and special business histories. A greater part of the book, 306 pages, is devoted to family stories. There are many fine photographs throughout the book. Inside the front and back covers are road maps of Noble County. The history is dedicated to Arthur F. Mapes, Indiana Poet Laureate.

OBITUARIES, NEWS ARTICLES OF KEATS AND OTHER AREAS IN RILEY COUNTY, KANSAS. IN LOVING REMEMBRANCE OF GRANDPA BLODGETT. Spiral bound, paperback, 60 pages. Completed by Pauline A. Streeter. Copy in Riley County Genealogical Society Library.

The articles in this collection are from a wallpaper sample book, used as a scrapbook, now owned by Hugh A. Blodgett, Box 81, Meeker, CO, 81641.

A great many articles are obituaries. All items have been placed in the book in alphabetical order. The alphabet letters are placed at the bottom of the pages with the page numbers.

Many names of early settlers and residents of Riley County can be found in the book. It is a good research tool. The compiler thanks the Blodgetts for saving this information and for allowing the items to be copied. The cover was hand painted by Mrs. Streeter.

DESCENDANTS OF RICHARD FISKE OF LAXFIELD. Author, Jack Owen Jevons, 1850 Folsom St. #1008, Boulder, CO, 80302. 1987, hardback, 8 1/2 x 11, indexed. (Reviewed by Ralf Graham)

This is the type of work every genealogist aspires to publish--a carefully documented review about an ancestor who was key to family to family history and lived centuries ago. In this case it was Richard Fiske of the Broadgates in the parish of Laxfield, Co., Suffolk, England.

The author modestly refers to this compilation as "a reasonably complete and reasonably accurate genealogy of Richard Fiske and his descendants, both in England and in America, from 1480 through the first generation born in New England--a period of about 250 years."

At first glance it does seem to be a rather simple record of Richard and his eight sons who lived to maturity. But closer examination follows the families of William, Jeremie, Jeffery, John, Robert, Nicolas, George, and Richard through three to five more generations.

The intriguing feature of this work is the evidence of meticulous re-examination of existing records by the author, both in England and New England. There is carful attribution to parish registers, wills, civil records, historical accounts, and previous genealogical compilations. The style of presentation is not free flowing, but the informational rewards are worth the digging.

As with many genealogists hoping to find noble beginnings for their family trees, author Jevons concluded that "this branch of the Fiske family was not headed by a peer of the realm, or even by a lord of the manor, and did not bear a colorful coat of arms...but the early members of this yeoman family carried on necessary and useful trades that served the community well."

So it may be with many of us present-day researchers if and when we, like Jevons, trace our family lines back to their European roots in the 15th century.

1860 FEDERAL CENSUS, CLAY COUNTY, KANSAS TERRITORY, 1988, 5 p. $3.00

1860 FEDERAL CENSUS, DAVIS (GEARY) COUNTY, KANSAS TERRITORY, 1988, 22 pp. $4.50

INDEX OF NAMES FOUND IN THE 1881 HISTORICAL PLAT BOOK OF CLAY COUNTY, KANSAS. 1988, 25 pp. $5.00

The census information was copied from microfilm and includes everyname indexes. The index for the Historical Plat Book of Clay County

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BIBLE RECORDS (Cont. from p. 12)

Richard Leo, Feb 17 - 1919
Ethel Pearl Sheahon, Sep 30, 1888
Earnest Lenard

Married Nov 6, 1907
Benjiman Lee Lenard June 13, 1910
Dorothy Jane, July 9, 1914
Elizabeth Irene
Edwin Simon Sheahon Aug 17, 1891
Lela Fuller Aug
Married
Theodore Edwin 1918

(No title on page)
Edna & Leslies Children
Winifred Elizabeth, Jan 22, 1915
Bernard Leslie Oct 2 - 1916
Berford Nelson June 17 1918
Roland Byron, June 9 1920

Roland & Connies
Lois Gwendolyne Jan 1 -1923
Jack Claire May 22, 1925
Joan Mar 14 - 1930
Dannie July 20 -1943
Roland C. Plummer
Corrinna Fagaert Feb 20 1920

Maud S. Moody
Wm. Lewis Good Mar 4 -1896

Maud S Good
Mr. J. C. Cadwalader Dec 7, 1935

Edwin M. Moody

Editor's Note: The following obituary of Edwin M. Moody was published in a paper following his death in August 1934. The obituary was submitted by Mr. Plummer along with the Bible record. This obituary should aid in understanding the inter-relationships of the people listed in the Bible record.

"Edwin M. Moody was born in East Landiff, New Hampshire, on October 29, 1841, and passed away at his home at Moodyville, Kansas, on August 26, 1934, at the age of 92 years, 9 months, and 26 days. On June 30, 1863, he was united in marriage to Mary Jane Kendall and to this union 10 children were born: Mrs. Mamie Frick, Los Angeles, California; Mrs. Lizzie Sheahon, Beloit, Kansas; Mrs. Orra Plummer, and Nathan Moody, Moodyville; Forest Moody, Onaga; Maud Good, Beloit; Sargent B.Moody, Centralia; and Mrs. Grace Griffin, Los Angeles, California; Bennie Moody, who died June 22, 1890, and Blanche E. Moody, who died November 24, 1911. He is also survived by 17 grandchildren and 34 great-grandchildren. Mrs. Moody died January 13, 1911.

Mr. Moody came to Kansas in the fall of 1866 and purchased the farm which has for so long a time been his home. In the spring of 1867, he rreturned to New Hampshire for his family, returning in June of that year bringing also his father and mother..."

BOOK REVIEWS (Cont. from p. 16)

also contains two maps from Bird & Mickle's 1881 Plat Book and a transcription of the Business Directory of Clay County as found in the Plat Book, which includes the place of nativity, date of settlement in the county and the business.

These four were the work of Evelyn J. Brown and are for sale by RCGS, 2005 Claflin Rd, Manhattan, KS 66502. Kansas residents add 5 1/2 ¢ tax and $1.00 postage on each item ordered.

Swedish Research Now Available by Mail

An announcement made in the 28 April 1988 issue of The Lindsborg News-Record told of a new service now available to those who wish to research their Swedish ancestors. The announcement read,

"Lindsborg is privileged to be the first community in the United States to hear about a newly instituted project made available by the Sweden Post and National Archives of Sweden. Thord Bylund, archivist for the Regional Archives at Harnosand, Sweden, made the announcement in Lindsborg Monday...

"The new project is described in a pamphlet produced by the Sweden Post, '...the time has come to re-establish these links between Sweden and America, which is why the National Archives in Sweden and Sweden Post are giving you the opportunity to trace your ancestry and relatives in Sweden. All we need to know from you is the name of your immigrant forefather (male or female), his or her year of birth and place of birth (or place where you know he or she lived at a particular time.')

"The packet produced by the Swedes includes a list of things you must do to obtain this information. The form includes: (1) Write your name and address clearly. (2) Enter the particulars of your Swedish immigrant ancestor. (3) Indicate how you would like to pay, we will accept American Express, Visa, and Eurocard-Mastercard. The packet comes in a self-folding, self-addressed form ready to have the postage affixed. There be be copies of this form available at the Lindsborg Community Library.

"The Post says that if you submit your request, and they find that they are unable to send you the information you seek, there will be no charge. The charge for this service is only $20."

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IN MEMORIAM

Lynn Bussey

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RCGS LIBRARY ACQUISITIONS FROM OCTOBER 1988 TO JANUARY 1989

Including Exchanges (ex), Gifts (g), Purchases (*)

Q16.9 American Genealogical Lending Library catalog, 4th ed., 3v in 1 binder *
016.9 Used book dealers. Bibliography g
325.2 Swede Swedish American genealogist (periodical) g Martha Streeter
929.05 Index Genea Genealogical periodical annual index, v.26 1987 *
929.051 B2g Genealogy digest (periodical)
929.051 Cross Crossroads (adoption periodical)
929.051 Schwe Schweitzer, Genealogical source handbook ½ g E. Brown
929.1 Daugh Daughters of the American Colonists, Lineage book, v. 26 1986, Loan DAC

FAMILY HISTORIES

929.2 Blake The K.A.R.D. files presents BLAKELEY bandwagon, V.1,2,3, g E. Brown
929.2 Fiske Jevons, Descendants of Richard FISKE of Laxfield, g The author
929.2 Garvi GARVIN-MALLON family history newsletter, g Phyllis Boyle
VF 929.2 Lieb Descendants of Adam LIEB, Sr., g Penelope A. Suleimon
929.2 Sebri SEBRING collections, g Judy Sebring Crocker
929.2 Templ Templeton, Ancestors of David Edgar TEMPLETON, ADAMS line, g D. E. Templeton

VF 929.3 Tips Tips on tracing your family tree, g Publisher

GEORGIA

975.2 D2s Schweitzer, Georgia genealogical research, ½ g E. Brown

ILLINOIS

975.5 Clark H2c Clark county genealogical Society (periodical) g Mel Cottom

KANSAS

975.8 Clay E3h Brown, Index of names found in Historical plat book of Clay County Kansas, g E. Brown
975.8 Clay X2 1860 Brown, 1860 federal census, Clay County Kansas territory, g E. Brown
975.8 Cowle V22s V.3 Smith, Cemetery records of Cowley county, v.3 *
975.8 Ellsw M2h History of the soldiers and salors of Ellsworth County in the great world war, 1917-1918 *
975.8 Geary X2 1860 Brown, 1860 federal census, Davis (Geary) County Kansas territory, g E. Brown
VF 975.8 Marsh 90th anniversary picture: Barrett Methodist church, g Owen Jones
975.8 Ottaw V25m Marriage records of Ottawa county, Kansas, Book P, June 1892-August 1898 *
975.8 Riley H2r Index Every name index to Riley County Kansas "The Blue Ribbon County" published by the Nationalist, 1881, g Riley County Historical Society
975.8 Riley V23o Obituaries, news articles of Keats and other areas in Riley County KS, g Hugh Blodgett
975.8 Riley V25r Riley County Kansas marriage license index (bride and groom), Aug 14, 1906 - June 15, 1914, g Riley County Historical society
975.8 Salin X2 1865 Saline county, Kansas, 1865 census and Ottawa county Kansas existing 1865 census *
975.8 Sedgw V22t Tombstone readings, Sedgwick county Kansas, V.1,2 *
975.8 Washi X2 1860 Brown, 1860 federal census, Washington county Kansas territory, g E. Brown

KENTUCKY

975.9 D2s Schweitzer, Kentucky genealogical research ½ g E. Brown

MISSOURI

976.8 A2m Missouri archibes bulletin, A guide to county records on microfilm, g Miss Ansley
976.8 StLou V22o Old cemeteries, St Louis County, MO, v.4, ½ g Mel & Mary Cottom

NEW YORK

977.6 D2s Schweitzer, New York genealogical research, ½ g E. Brown

NORTH CAROLINA

977.7 Stoke P2a Absher, Stokes county, North Carolina wills, V.1-4, 1790-1864 *
977.7 Stoke R2a Absher, Stokes county North Carolina deeds, V. 1&2, 1787-1797 *
977.7 Surry P2a Absher, Surry county, North Carolina deeds, Books D,E & F, 1779-1797 *
977.7 Surry V2h Holcomb, Marriages of Surry County, North Carolina, 1779-1868 *

OHIO

977.9 Belmo B2b Belmont county genealogical news, ex

PENNSYLVANIA

978.3 D2s Schweitzer, Pennsylvania genealogical research ½ g E. Brown
978.3 Perry H2h Hain, History of Perry county, Pennsylvania *

SOUTH CAROLINA

978.5 D2s Schweitzer, South Carolina genealogical research, ½ g E. Brown

TEXAS

978.8 Victo B2v Victoria (periodical) *

VIRGINIA

979.2 Ameli H2h Hadfield, Historical notes on Amelia county, Virginia, g Virginia Hupe
979.2 Ameli P3m McConnaughey, Court records, Amelia county, Virginia, 1735-1745, g Virginia Hupe
979.2 Ameli R2h Hadfield, Amelia county, Virginia buildings survey, g Virginia Hupe
979.2 Ameli R2m Bk. 1 McConnaughey, Deed book, Amelia county Virginia (deeds 1735-1743,bonds 17351741) g Virginia Hupe
979.2 Ameli V2m McConnaughey, Will book, Amelia county Virginia, 1735-1780, v.1 Wills 1735-1761, Bonds 1735-1754; v.2X Wills 1761-1771; v.2 1771-1789, g Virginia Hupe
979.2 Fairf D3s Steadman, Falls Church by fence and fireside (Fairfax county) g Betty Love

WASHINGTON

979.3 Clark E4c Clark county genealogical society Membership list, ex

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The Quick Family of Bala Township and Manhattan

At the time of his death, Henry Quick had been a long time night clerk at the Gillette and Wareham Hotels, and a tireless worker in the Seventh Day Adventist Church in Manhattan, information about him and his family was researched by Pat Hook. The following genealogical information was obtained.

In 1880 the Riley County census listed a George Henry Quick, age 22, and a William H. Quick, age 20, as step-sons of James G. Lynch and a "Marget" Lynch. On the 1885 census her name is given as Mary. The father of these two young men was David Quick and their mother Mary Hamilton. Both of these boys were born in Indiana, but David and Mary Hamilton were both born in Kentucky. Evidently Mary had married James Lynch.

George Henry Quick married on 7 May 1882 to Mary L. Drown, age 17, in Manhattan. William H. Quick married on 5 April 1885 to Sarah Appletree, age 23, in Manhattan. According to the 1900 census for Bala Township in Riley County George Henry Quick had the following children: Thomas, 16; Mary E., 10; Elsa M., 3; Edith L., 2; and Geo. B., 3/12. On the same census William H. Quick's children were: Millie, 14; Geo. H., 10; Silas L., 3; and Louisa, 1. The Geo. H. listed was later to be known as Henry Quick. He dropped the name George in later years because of the number of George Quick's in the Leonardville vicinity where he lived and there was confusion in mail deliveries.

William H. Quick died in 1929 and is buried at Leonardville beside his wife, Sarah. Their son, Henry Quick who was born 27 July 1889 married Frankie G. Funk. She was born 11 May 1892 in Arkansas and died 3 March 1971 in Manhattan, KS. She is buried in Leonardville, KS.. Henry then married Mabel Horner on 3 September 1971. She was born 20 July 1891 and died on 25 March 1979.

By his first marriage, Henry and Frankie Quick had the following children: Harold (died 1965); Howard, and Eunice Quick Smith. Grandchildren were Saundra Lee, Will, and Todd, children of Howard; Curtis, Raymond, and David, children of Harold.

Henry Quick died on 12 March 1986 at the age of 96 years, 7 months, and 16 days. Henry was an active worker, Head Deacon, and Treasurer in the Seventh Day Adventist Church.

ONE WILL DO

Such was the headline in the 28 January 1876 copy of The Nationalist for the following story: "The city of Manhattan supports two policemen, which is certainly one too many. Our town is generally law abiding and so are most of the farmers about us. A policeman to go on duty about the middle of the afternoon and remain up till about three in the morning would be amply sufficient, and in case an officer is needed during the remainder of the day, one of the constables could be called on. The people very justly complain of the weight of taxation, and we know of no way in which relief can be obtained, except by cutting off all unnecessary expenses."



Members lost & found

NEW MEMBERS

B-203 BRADLEY, Marian E. SCOTT
B-204 BRADLEY, James E., 1409 Evergreen, Derby, KS 67037
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D-080 DAVIES, Sharon L., 901 Gillespie, Manhattan, KS 66502
D-076 DAVIS, Mary Ann, 1121 Hylton Hts., Manhattan, KS 66502
D-077 DURKHEIMER, Shirley A.
D-078 DURKHEIMER, William K., 3435 SE Cora Dr., Portland, OR 97202
E-045 ESTES, Jesse B.
E-046 ESTES, Shaila J., 1310 17th St., Wamego, KS 66547
G-073 GARVIN, Robert E.
G-074 GARVIN, Madeline ALLENDER, 3322 Mackland NE, Albuquerque, NM 87106
H-152 HOLLINGER, Latta F. JAMES, 2223 Tamarron Ter., Manhattan, KS 66502
L-065 LUSK, Peggy, 927 South 173, Spanaway, WA 98387
M-175 MANN, Loren
M-174 MANN, Mary Jane BOLLER, 1454 Aster Ln, Livermore, CA 94550
M-176 MILLER, Irwin A., Box 185 Ogden, KS 66517
P-101 POMEROY, K. Dale
P-102 POMEROY, Laurie, Box 187, Alma, KS 66401
S-251 SCHEETS, Leigh Anne BONNETTE
S-252 SCHEETS, Peter Michael, 5118-2 Pelham, Ft. Riley, KS 66442

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D-081 DOUGLASS, Terry L. , Rt. 1, Box 49, Olsburg, KS 66520
G-075 GIEBER, Shirley M. NEWBURY
G:076 GIEBER, Douglas Carl, 410 Poplar St., Wamego, KS 66547
H-105 HARTLEY, Lois Meisner
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MEMBERSHIP

Anyone interested in preserving family and community records is invited to become a member. Dues are $10.00 per calendar year per family unit. Members receive the current year's issues of Kansas Kin. Genealogists are on hand each Tuesday and Thursday morning to help with genealogical problems. Free classes are held periodically. An hour's free research is provided for out-of-town members. Members can buy books approved by the Acquisition Committee as gifts to the Society. The Society will pay one-half the cost of such books.

PROGRAM MEETINGS

The last Monday of each month, September through May, except December, meetings are held from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the Manhattan Public Library, unless otherwise announced.

KANSAS KIN

The RCGS quarterly is published in February, May, August, and November. The staff welcomes receiving Bible and church records, wills, school and court records, and family records and stories. Ancestor tables are limited to one page, 68 lines, per member. Materials concerned with people or events in counties adjacent to Riley County as well as Riley County are solicited. Upon request, gift books will be reviewed in Kansas Kin and given to RCGS.

TAX EXEMPT GIFTS

All donations to RCGS may be deductible on federal income tax returns. The IRS has ruled the Society a tax exempt educational and scientific organization within the meaning of Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954.

MEMORIAL GIFTS

All monies received in memory of a deceased member or non-member are used for acquisitions. The deceased's family is notified that the donation has been received by RCGS.

1989 DATES TO REMEMBER

May 10, Board Meeting
May 17-20, National Genealogical Society's annual conference, St. Paul, MN
May 22, RCGS Regular Meeting, Public Library, Sherry Butler, James Cavenee, "My Favorite Ancestor."
June 14, Board Meeting
June 17, KS Council annual meeting/workshop, Cawker City, KS
July 8-17, KCGS-sponsored 10th annual trip to Salt Lake City
July 12, Board Meeting
August 9, Board Meeting

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The President presents

Several books I read recently convinced me that one must never become discouraged in one's genealogical research nor feel that there are not links to our long-gone ancestors. In one book a Chinese American found his ancestor's grave of 900 years ago. In another book a descendant went with a forensic anthropologist and crew to exhume his ancestor and two others who had been buried in the arctic over 130 years and frozen in time. Can you imagine meeting your ancestor in such a dramatic way?

There are many who feel as I do that the five-generation chart proposal by Elaine Olney in the article on page 9 of the February KANSAS KIN is an important one. The Illinois State Genealogical Society has asked permission to reprint the article in their quarterly. We encourage all to write and preserve your research in this way.

Please take time to become involved in the special society activities in May. We are attempting to make the community aware of our society, to help those who wish to receive instruction in getting started in genealogy, and to present programs interesting to members and non-members alike. Join us in one or all of the events. We must have your reservations for the May 20th event. (See the attached application.)

If there are members who need help in researching in a particular state or on a special topic, let us know and classes will be organized.

Thanks to the following members for going the second mile: Sharon Rice for making a computer listing of the society's duplicates for sale; Cecil Eyestone for providing some extra shelves for storage and for removing an ailing peach tree; Darlene Hagan for contributing a brochure display stand and designing bookmarks which give information about RCGS and a calandar of programs; Robt. Littrell for installing the society's own phone by the librarian's desk and to Darlene Hagan for choosing it; Bessie Wray for agreeing to publicize the "State Book" by bringing it to regular meetings. Members sign this book to show which states they are researching in so they may confer with others in the same areas. This also gives the acquisitions chairman clues as to locality interests for purchases. Also special thanks to those who take on vacumning responsibilites and to the many individuals who purchase gift periodical subscriptions for the library. This is an organization of super volunteers!

The Society purchased several cassette tapes from the Federation of Genealogical Societies on genealogical research subjects. They are on top of the card catalog and may be checked out by members.

Evelyn

Society News

RCGS TO CELEBRATE MANHATTAN HERITAGE DAYS MAY 20-27. ALL INVITED TO ATTEND

Free Workshop, Monthly Meeting about Ancestors, Dedication of the Heritage Rose Garden

The Riley County Genealogical Society is planning special events in May beginning with a free genealogical workshop on Saturday morning the 20th. Darlene Hagan, workshop chairman, has set up six separate topics from which participants may choose. (See enclosed registration form for further information about time, place, and topics.)

The regular monthly meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Monday the 22nd at the Manhattan Public LIbrary should prove to be of interest to all. Ruby Williams, vice president, has arranged for the speakers to tell of their favorite ancestors.

On Saturday, May 27 at 3:00 p.m. the Heritage Rose Garden west of the Platt House library will be dedicated. Robert Ealy, chairman, hopes for ideal weather to recognize the efforts of those who have established this unique garden.

Following the dedication an openhouse will be held in the library for the community. Pat Hook and her committee are in charge of this event.

Members are urged to attend one or all of these genealogical happenings and to bring friends.

SENIOR CITIZEN AWARD

The Board of Directors have chosen Sarah G. Sitz as the RCGS member to receive the Seniors' Service Center Senior Citizen Award. Sarah continues to make many contributions to the welfare of our organization and the successful operation of our Library.

SPRING HOUSE CLEANING

Each spring members of the Society gather at the RCGS Library to help with the yearly spring cleaning of the house and grounds. Many hands make light work, so come on Friday, May 5th between 8:00 a.m. and noon. If you wish to work outdoors bring equipment for the type of work you wish to do.

RCGS FALL WORKSHOP

On October 14, 1989, the RCGS will host the Annual Fall Workshop in the K-State Union. Chairing the Workshop this year are Ralf and Aileen Graham. Committee members assisting are Roberta Albrecht, Katherine Mulanax, and Sherri Hooper. Marilyn Wellauer from Milwaukee, Wisconsin, will be our guest speaker. Further information will be given in the August issue of Kansas Kin.

PLAN TO ATTEND ALL OF THE EVENTS LISTED IN THE ABOVE ANNOUNCEMENTS

EARLY DAY EARTHQUAKES IN RILEY COUNTY

According to various historical sources, there have been four earthquakes on record in early Kansas history. These quakes were strong enough to cause people to be frightened. The early day earthquakes occurred on 24 April 1867, 8 November 1875, 11 October 1895, and 27 January 1906. It would be of interest to know if any readers have heard their ancestors tell about any of these quakes, or if any of them left written records about their experiences. ***Direct quotation errors are not corrected.***

The report of the 1867 quake in The Nationalist tells of the strange happenings and the experiences of some Manhattanites. The Editor of the paper also promoted a theory for the cause of the quakes. Although he set the time of the earthquake between 3 and 4 o'clock, the Agricultural College in Manhattan reported that the quake was at 2:32 in the afternoon.

"On Wednesday last between 3 and 4 o'clock while racking our Editorial Brain for 'a local' we were successful to a degree, which we do not desire to see repeated. While we have always had a remarkable degree of confidence in brain power, we confess to be a little surprised when our laboring thoughts was rewarded by--an earthquake thundering by.

"It was the most remarkable phenomenon of the kind witnessed by us. The sound was like that of heavy thunder which was immediately succeeded by a rocking of 'the old beldame Earth' which called the entire population out of doors in an instant.

"Seen from the ground the house seemed to sway to and fro, mirrors and crockery were toppled down; the Blue River Bridge rocked about on its piers like 'a thing of life.' But perhaps the most remarkable feature attending the quake here was its effect upon the water in the River.

"One gentleman informs us that a great wave many feet high with an unbroken crest like some great swell of the Ocean, rolled entirely across the rivers leaving a trough behind it which boiled with the tumult of the waters. If such was the commotion of the waters upon this stream of only a few hundred feet in width it is fearful to contemplate the disaster which must befall shipping upon any large body of water, if proportionately moved by this subterranean agency.

"We have heard several persons who were standing upon the ground or the Rail Road affirm that they felt peculiar shock like that of an electric **battery** and one person who was standing at the instant with one foot upon the railroad track experienced such a shock as to momentarily paralyze one side, compelling him to sit down.

"From this, some are led to infer that Electricity is the agent of this strange shaking of Mother Earth.

"We must admit to our Eastern Friends who contemplate removing hither that we do sometimes have the 'shake' in Kansas and a kind to which Quinine and Cologogue will hardly break up."

[Editor's Note: Can a reader identify what Cologogue was? The word does not appear even in very old dictionaries. Was it a patent medicine?]

Although the earthquake in 1875 was reported by cities along the Union Pacific railroad, including Manhattan, it was considered to be comparatively light. That it did not have a great effect on the people in Manhattan is reflected in the very brief item which appeared in The Nationalist. The story almost made light of the phenomenon. Under a very brief headline, "Earthquake", was the following story:

"On Monday morning last, quite a number of persons in the neighborhood were awakened, about five o'clock in the morning by an earthquake. Wooden houses rocked and stone ones quivered. The worst scared person we have seen was a young lady who thought some horrid man was shaking her bed."

Although one historical account of the earthquake on 11 October 1895 stated that an earthquake was felt in Manhattan, Wamego, and other eastern Kansas cities, no serious damage occurred except in Topeka. No account of this earthquake appeared in the Manhattan paper. Evidently it was so minor that it escaped the attention of the newspaper staff.

On 11 January 1906, an earthquake of rather major proportions occurred in the state. This quake was felt from Ellis, Kansas, east through the state to Kansas City. This quake was followed by a severe cold wave and snow storm.

The Nationalist reported this quake under the heading, "The Earth Trembled." In the report, the Editor gave specific examples of how the noise and movement affected his readers.

"Sunday evening at 6:16 an event occurred here that had not been previously announced in the papers and was not known to be on the skedule (sic). Descriptions vary, each individual had impressions of his own. As the noise seemed to come from beneath, some thought the city water pipes had bursted, others that the hot water pipes in the heating furnace had given way allowing the water to escape into the cellar, others that an undue amount of gas had formed in the furnace, others that some person had jarred the house, but many realized at once that Manhattan was visited by a real live earthquake. The first shock with the accompanying tremble and noise came about 6:16 p.m. and according to the statements of those who were not frightened and had the presence of mind to note the time, continued from five to ten seconds. The noise may be described as the combined result of dragging chains over the floor and of escaping steam together with a roar of distant thunder.

Women and men too rushed out of the house thoroughly frightened and called to their neighbors. Many vases and bric-a-brac were thrown to the floor and broken. Some pictures fell from the walls. Several chimneys fell and some of the plate glass in business

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THE WAKEFIELD TORNADO IN 1882 AS TOLD IN THE DIARY OF A SEVENTEEN YEAR OLD YOUTH

The account below concerning the tornado which struck Wakefield on 7 April 1882, was written by a seventeen year old youth named William Gillies. The Gillies family were in Republican Township, Clay County, Kansas, as early as 1870. They were listed on the Federal Census that year. The same family members were also on the 1880 census. They were: Peter Gillies, 50, farmer, born in Scotland; Anna, 55 (the 1870 census gave her age as 40), born in Scotland; and the following children all born in England --Annie, 20; Peter, 19; George, 16; William, 15; and John C., 12.

William began his account by saying that he and George went to Wakefield. George was undoubtedly his brother who was a year older than he. The Mrs. Tom Waller mentioned in the diary was Paul Streeter's grandmother. At the time of the tornado she was expecting a child who was born on 24 June. The child was Elizabeth Blanche (Waller) Streeter, Paul's mother.

They visited "the church" which unlike the Congregational Church, William did not name. It was probably St. George's Episcopal Church. The supposition is based on the fact that the family was part of the English settlement and that settlement had built an Episcopal church in Wakefield. It was probably the church William attended.

We are indebted to Pauline Streeter for this account which she received from Frances Normadin, librarian at Wakefield and a cousin of Paul Streeter on his father's side.

"April 8. George and I hitched up first thing after breakfast to go to Wakefield. When we got to the creek, Ed Southwick overtook us. He told that Wakefield was about all blown away. Well, he was not far wrong. When we got up by his house we could see that A. Fairman's house was all blown off the foundation. The next house off the foundation and almost blown away was Denny Mason's.

"Well, when we got fairly into town everything looked pretty sick. George and I took a tour around. We began at Richard's store. It was not damaged hardly any, a pane or two of glass being broken out being all. Next we came to Co Russell's new store. The front is badly twisted and the east half of the roof blown in. The next place we came to is Wormald's old store. It is clean gone, nothing left but a few of the foundation stones and an upturned safe in one corner where the building stood. The next place we visited was Jones and Dodson's Shops. About all all gone but the foundation stones. We found them picking up what tools they could find. I observed while standing there that the roof of the shoemaker's shop was broke in and Russel's house was minus the chimneys and lightning rods. Next place visited was Pret Gates' Harness Shop, the front blown out. He was fixing it up with boards. Next came R. Alsop's Meat Market. It is all caved in, hams and shoulders lying round pretty thick.

"From there we went to the schoolhouse and church. The schoolhouse is in about the same fix as it was before. The church is in a bad fix. We found it was blown about six feet off the foundation and then fell to pieces. The spire is lying over on Cedar Bluff.

"Alexander's house is in a sad mess. It was blown away and left standing out in the rain and hail. The little child was blown some distance and a lot of bricks lit around her, one coming within half an inch of her head. Next place visited was the H. Coatsworth Stable. It is all gone but the foundation and a dead horse was lying in the wreck. I found splinters of wood from his building a quarter of a mile away. They were stuck in the ground a foot. We walked from Coltsworth's barn to Christman's Livery Stable. We observed while walking to this part of the town that the house south of Blenkorn's was standing in the yard close up to the house. We had by this time reached the Livery Stable. It was flat as a flounder.

"We stayed there a little while then went over to the Congregational Church. We found the big window blown down the cellar but not broken. It took about two loads of stone with it. J. Griffin's house was blown all to smithereens. His little girl was blown 20 yards, bricks flying all around her head, but wonderful to relate she did not get a scratch. It would take up too much time and space to tell all the hair-breadth escapes, but I must tell this one. Mrs. Tom Waller was sitting in the house when a brick from Griffin's chimney struck the house. It went right through and just missed her head and stuck in the opposite side of the wall. There were many more houses blown down and damaged more or less, but I have not got time to put them all down here."

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house fronts was cracked. Within an hour two other light shocks were felt and at about 10:45 one more brief but nearly as heavy as the first was experienced.

"Persons riding a bicycle or in a carriage were for the most part unconscious of anything unusual.

"The area effected seems to have been limited to about 250 miles north and some 100 miles east and west. From reports it would seem that Manhattan or Wamego received the most severe shaking up.

"While Manhattan had previously experienced several earthquakes this was the most serious known except on April 24, 1867, at 2:22 p. m. People were then thrown from their feet. In speaking of it Judge Kimble said the movement apparently came from the southwest and that several tons of rock fell from an old stone wall on his father's farm.

MORE ABOUT CHARLES F. DE VIVALDI---DIPLOMAT OR SCOUNDREL?

PART ONE: de VIVALDI'S APPLICATION FOR THE DIPLOMATIC CORPS

In the February issue of Kansas Kin information was given about Charles (Carlos) F. de Vivaldi, the colorful character who served as the editor of the first newspaper in Manhattan and served as the fourth mayor of the fledgling town. Since that issue was published, additional information has been acquired about this man.

He was a much younger man than had been expected. On the 1860 federal census he was listed as 24 years of age, his property was valued at $2400 and his personal property at $1500. The place of his birth was Sardinia in Italy. At the time of the census four other men were living in the same household--a servant, two printers, and a doctor. At that time the census did not give names of wives or children, so it is not known whether he had a wife then.

A letter was written to the Diplomatic Branch of the National Archives asking for information about de Vivaldi's service in the diplomatic corps. We received a package of letters which de Vivaldi wrote applying for service in the diplomatic corps and of letters written by political leaders in support of his application. All but one of these letters were favorable; the exception will be discussed later. No information was included about the position he took in Santos, Brazil.

Evidently de Vivaldi anticipated applying for a position prior to leaving Manhattan for Washington. He had collected letters from several citizens which he sent with his letter of application. On 20 March 1861, de Vivaldi wrote an application letter on stationery which had a printed letterhead. The letterhead is shown below with his letter.

Application Letter Sent to Abraham Lincoln



PRINTING OFFICE OF THE
Western Kansas Express.
Chas. F. de Vivaldi, Editor & Prop'r
Manhattan, Kansas, March 20th 1861.

To the
Honorable Abraham Lincoln
President of the United States

Sir

The undersigned is an application for the office of U. S. Consul to Genoa, in Italy or Geneva in Switzerland.'

Should both of the above Consulates have been disposed of, he would respectfully apply for either of the following, viz:

Buenos Ayres, in the Argentine Confederation--Pernambuco, in Brazil--or Callao, in the Republic of Peru.

As to his claims on the favor of your Administration, and his qualification to fill the office of U. S. Consul with honor and credit to the Government, he would beg leave to refer you to the letters herein enclosed from the Honorables Nathaniel P. Banks, Frank P. Blair, Marcus J. Parrott, Gen S.C. Pomeroy, I. P. Root Lt. Gov. of Kansas and Henry I Adams of the same state.

Your petitioner is now, and has been for the last three years the sole Proprietor and Editor of the "Western Kansas Express" the oldest and chief Republican organ of Western Kansas.

The undersigned would also state that the people of Western Kansas would not be deprived of their Republican Organ, in case of his being appointed to any of the above Consulships, for he has already made all needful arrangements for its continuance and support during his absence from the country.

With profound respect

Your Humble Servant
C. F. de Vivaldi
Editor "Western Kansas Express"

A Change in Consulate Plans

Two months after Charles F. de Vivaldi wrote his letter applying for the consulates in Europe or South America, he wrote another letter asking that his application be changed to the Consul at Kingston in the Island of Jamaica. The urging of his friends seems to have been the reason for the change. The man who at the time was the Consul at Kingston was Isaac Winston, a Lecompton Democrat, who had been appointed by President Buchanan through the influence of ex-Secretary Floyd. This appointment of course was not welcomed by the Republicans in Kansas.

Recommendations from Kansas Politicians

The men used as references by de Vivaldi in his first letter to Lincoln were all Republican leaders in Kansas. Marcus Parrott was a delegate to the Kansas Constitutional Convention, a delegate to Congress from the Kansas territory, and a member of the first state Legislature. Samuel C. Pomeroy was at the sack of Lawrence and was taken prisoner. Later he was elected a senator, but he was accused and found guilty of bribery when he ran for re-election in 1867. Root was a member of the Free-State Convention in 1857 and the Lt. Governor from 1863-1864. Henry J. Adams was a Free-Stater, a member of the State Constitution Convention and elected governor. This

first Constitution was not acted on by Congress, so he did not serve as governor.

When de Vivaldi's plans were changed and he was trying to secure the Consulate in Jamaica, additional letters were sent to Lincoln and to the State Department urging that de Vivaldi be appointed. The men who initially wrote recommending him also approved. In addition, thirty-six members and officers of the Legislature of the State of Kansas signed a petition which they sent to Lincoln in support of de Vivaldi. Other notables not mentioned previously who wrote letters were Col.Wm Gilpin, Governor of Colorado, and Major Hunter of the United States Army.

Extracts from the letters written by the men recommending de Vivaldi give information about de Vivaldi. Note that many write his name only as "Vivaldi."

"...Mr. Vivaldi is an Italian by birth--born I think at Caribaldi's home--Nice--is acquainted with their language, literature, social, and political feelings." (Ed. Note: Sardinia at the time was a separate monarchy and Nice was a county. Later Nice was ceded to France.)

"...a native of Italy, but long a citizen of the United States."

"Mr Vivaldi is an accomplished gentleman--speaks the English, French, Spanish, and Italian languages fluently, and would do honor to a much higher position than that for which he asks."

"...and always proving himself to be faithful --earnest and efficient in the work to which he has devoted his life."

"Mr. Vivaldi is an exile from Rome--and a protestant having abandoned the Catholic Church in this country--he will not be permitted to enter the city of Rome under these circumstances."

"...worthy gentleman, a true Republican, who has done a patriots work for the cause of Freedom in Kansas, and a person peculiarly fitted by birth and education for the office of U. S. Consul..."

McBratney's Violent Dissenting Opinion

On 12 June 1861, a Robert McBratney wrote a letter protesting the appointment of "...one Charles de Vivaldi, as Consul to Jamaica." Extracts from his letter seem to show that McBratney was a very vindictive man.

"He is connected, by marriage, with a Pottawatomie Indian woman (said to be worth some property) and is a resident of the City of Manhattan, where, for a few months past, his name has appeared as the conductor of a weakly paper, through the columns of which he has had an opportunity of developing himself."

"The reputation which he enjoys among all classes is that of a blustering, blowing, violent man, a liar, a coward and a sneak. For querulousness, petulance and vindictive abuse and blackguardism towards his supposed equals--especially Republicans, and for downright toadyism towards those supposed superiors."

"His service to the party which we understand he has urged with great pertinacity before the department, is sheer humbug. At best, he is incapable of benefiting a cause by its advocacy; but in this case, the battle for freedom and for Republicanism had been won long before he saw Kansas."

The materials sent by National Archives did not state whether or not de Vivaldi was offered the Jamaica Consulate, nor did the materials tell that he was appointed to Santos, Brazil. That information as reported in the previous article came from other sources. Whether McBratney's tirade had influence on de Vivaldi's not receiving the first appointment is unknown.

How Did Robert McBratney Know de Vivaldi?

Why did Robert McBratney vilify de Vivaldi? Research into who McBratney was and his previous relaionship with de Vivaldi provided some clues as to why he wrote as he did.

McBratney, at the age of forty-three, had come to Kansas in 1857. At that time he was serving as an agent for the Cincinnati emigration society. In Atchison he and Frank G. Adams bought a paper being printed in Atchison which until they bought it had been a pro-slavery paper. They changed it to a free-state paper named The Champion. McBratney and Adams were the editorial management of the paper. The fact that McBratney had been an editor of a paper may have accounted for his criticism of de Vivaldi's paper.

A close relationship must have existed when both McBratney and de Vivaldi were members of the Frontier Guard from Kansas which guarded the Executive Mansion in Washington in 1861 when it was being threatened by the Confederates. The role de Vivaldi played in this guard unit was discussed in the May issue of Kansas Kin. Did McBratney and de Vivaldi have difficulty during this tour of duty? Did de Vivaldi receive some honor that McBratney felt was undeserved? Marcus J. Parrott, Samuel C. Pomeroy, and James H. Lane were also members of the Frontier Guards, yet they supported de Vivaldi.

McBratney was also active in Republican politics in Kansas. He was elected an alternate to the Republican State Convention in Topeka in 1864. He was named a presidential elector that year and voted for Lincoln. By 1867 he was in Junction City and was on the Board of Directors of the Union Pacific Southern Branch which wanted to build a railroad south from Junction City. He later was an incorporator of the bridge company that was to span the Republican River.

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(Charles F. de Vivaldi cont. from p. 2)

On the 1870 census for Davis County, Robert McBratney was listed in Junction City, 56 years of age, a lawyer. With him was listed a girl, Lillian, age 16. McBratney was not on the 1880 census, so presumably he died prior to 1880.

PART TWO: A LAWSUIT FILED BY JAMES HUMPHREY AGAINST de Vivaldi

Although Charles F. de Vivaldi claimed that he had made arrangements for the continuance and support of the "Western Kansas Express," he evidently had not done so. He left Manhattan owing money to James Humphrey who was his assistant at the paper. As a result on 30 October 1861 only a few months after de Vivaldi left, Humphrey filed suit asking that the city lots, two printing presses, and all type owned by de Vivaldi be sold to settle his claim for $528.75. It seems that de Vivaldi had borrowed money from Humphrey at various times. A copy of one of the notes he signed is on the page which follows.

In his suit Humphrey claimed that in addition to the money he loaned de Vivaldi, he was owed back wages for his services as the assistant editor. Also he had paid cash for the cost of paper and freight. The original papers giving all details of this lawsuit are on file in the Riley County Historical Library.

The court appointed individuals to determine the value of the land, the printing equipment, type, and other printing materials owned by de Vivaldi. The appraisal showed that the twenty-two lots de Vivaldi owned in Manhattan were valued at $90! The printing presses and type had a total value of $688.10.

The attorney for Charles F. de Vivaldi sent a letter to Humphrey saying that his client would make a deposition on 10 August 1862 in the city of Santos in the Empire of Brazil before the Mayor of that city. The defendant through his lawyer claimed that Humphrey had abused and damaged the printing presses and the materials belonging to the defendant beyond the usual wear and tear. He denied owing the plaintiff money and in a cross petition he made claim for the damage done, for room and board he had provided, and for money owed for use of the presses and type. His claim totaled $945.

The trial began in May 1863 after a motion for continuance had been denied. The attorney for de Vivaldi had been unable to get the deposition he wanted. A jury on 19 May 1863 rendered a judgment in favor of James Humphrey. A copy of the jurors' decision is on the next page. The Foreman of the jury was Welcome Wells. It is interesting to note that James Humphrey was the fifth mayor of Manhattan, following de Vivaldi, and Welcome Wells was the sixth mayor.

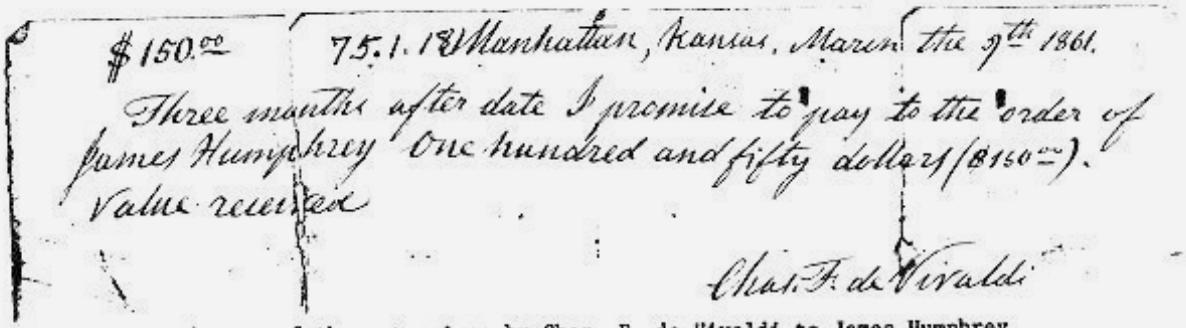
Shortly after the trial, notice appeared in the paper advertising the sheriff's sale of the land and the printing presses.

PART III: WHO WAS JAMES HUMPHREY?

The researcher for this article assumed that James Humphrey was an itinerant hired by de Vivaldi to help with the paper. Surprisingly it was discovered through an article written about Humphrey in the Kansas Historical Collection that Humphrey was to become a very prominent man in Kansas.

James Humphrey was born in Pleasley, Nottingham, England on 8 March 1833. He was well educated in that country. He came to the United States in 1854, settling in Rhode Island and then in Massachusetts. Here he studied both medicine and law, but preferred the latter. He arrived in Manhattan in April 1857.

George W. Higinbotham was the nominal sheriff of the county at that time, but did not want to perform the duties, so he induced Humphrey to serve for him. In 1859 and 1860 he performed the duties of the County Treasurer for the elected official, and then he was elected to that office in 1861-62. Also in 1861 he was hired by de Vivaldi to help in publishing the Western Kansas Express. After de Vivaldi left, James Humphrey succeeded him as mayor of Manhattan.



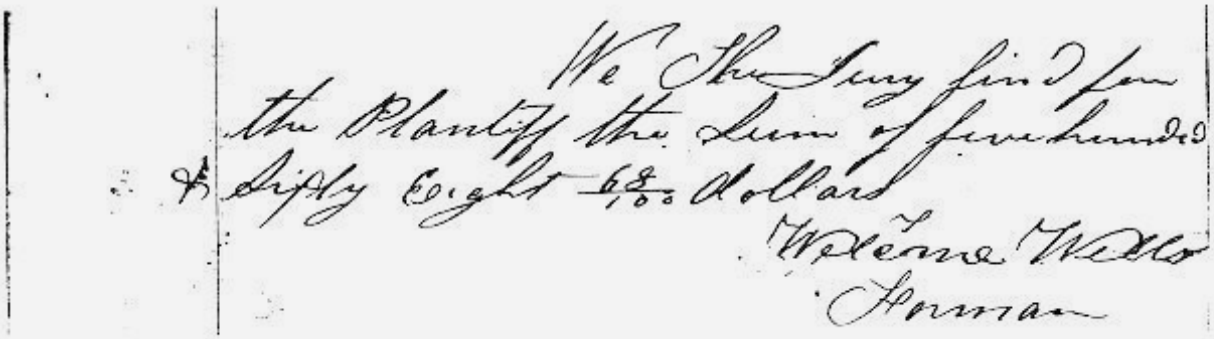
$150.00 75.1.18 Manhattan, Kansas, March the 9th 1861.

Three months after date I promise to pay to the order of James Humphrey One hundred and fifty dollars ($150.00).

Value received

Chas. F. de Vivaldi

A copy of the note given by Chas. F. de Vivaldi to James Humphrey and submitted as evidence in the court trial. The note shows the penmanship of de Vivaldi and his signature.



A copy of the jury's decision in the law suit filed by James Humphrey. This note shows the handwriting of the foreman, Welcome Wells, the sixth mayor of Manhattan.

On the 1860 Federal census for Riley County, Humphrey was listed as being 28 years old living at the Wm. H. Bower residence. In 1862 he married Mary Vance of Cincinnati, Ohio. She had been born in Springfield, Ohio. On the 1865 census James is listed as a lawyer. He had completed his study of law and was admitted to the Kansas bar in 1863. On the same census was his wife, age 27, and two sons, H. J., age 2, and J. V., age 9/12. Both boys were born in Kansas.

In the spring of 1867 he was appointed by the Governor to be the Judge of the 8th Judicial District which included Clay, Cloud, Geary, Dickinson, Ottawa, Riley, and Saline Counties.

He served in that capacity until 1870. At that time he moved to Junction City to practice law. Later he served on the Kansas Railroad Commission and the first State Tax Commission.

From the 1870 and 1880 Geary County census records we found that the two sons identified by initials on the 1865 census were Hubert J. and James Vance. On the 1880 census there is also a son, Spencer, age 12, and two daughters, Ella and Adelia, aged 9 and 10, respectively. Hubert died on 8 August 1895 and Spencer was killed in a railroad accident in 1895.

James Humphrey died on 18 September 1907 in his 74th year. He is buried in Junction City.

(Dates to Remember cont. from p. 28)

August 16-19, Federation of Genealogy Societies conference, Seattle-Tacoma
September 13, Board Meeting
September 25, RCGS Regular Meeting, Public Library, Martha Streeter, "Streeter Family Tour of England."
September 30-October 9, RCGS sponsored trip to Washington, D.C. and Richmond, VA.
October 11, Board Meeting
October 14, RCGS Annual Workshop, Marilyn Wellauer
October 30, RCGS Regular Meeting, Public Library, Elaine Olney, "Pitfalls of Genealogical Research."
November 8, Board Meeting
November 27, RCGS Regular Meeting, Public Library, Stella Frey, "Colonial Probate Records."

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IN MEMORIAM

Marcile Norby Wood

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Editor's Notes

In the February issue of Kansas Kin in the article about the early day mayors it was stated that information was not found concerning the deaths of Samuel G. Hoyt and I. K. Perry. All of us have had the experience of finding genealogical information by chance. This experience happened to the Editor as he was researching the 1902 and 1905 Manhattan newspapers for other stories for Kansas Kin. An obituary for Samuel G. Hoyt stated that he died in a soldier's home in Santa Monica CA at the age of 77 on 17 March 1905. He had been in California for ten years.Survivors were his wife; two daughters, Mrs. George Turner, Ft. Scott KS, and Mrs. Robert Burroughs, Los Angeles; two sons, Charles and Sherman, both of Colorado Springs CO.

An obituary for I. K. Perry stated that he died on 6 April 1902 at the age of 87 in Orlando, Florida. He was survived by a wife and four daughters, none of whom was named. The obituary stated that he was an old citizen of Manhattan and one time mayor.

ANCESTOR TABLE OF RICHARD WILLIAM SOLDAN

661 Zeandale Road, Manhattan, KS, 66502

		Birth Date, Place	Marriage Date, Place	Death Date, Place
	FIRST GENERATION			
1.	Richard William Soldan	1917 Salina, KS	31 May 1941 Manhattan KS	
	SECOND GENERATION			
2.	Leonard Clarence Soldan	1894 Brookville, KS	1916 Salina, KS	1956 Mexico, MO
3.	Alma Mae Weaver	1896 Siloam Springs AK		1969 Manhattan, KS
	THIRD GENERATION			
4.	Tell Winklereed Soldan	1865 Ft. Leavenworth,KS	1891 Brookville, KS	1924 Salina, KS
5.	Sophia Charlotte Wardrum	1869 Chicago IL		1957 Salina, KS
6.	Henry Franklin Weaver	1856 TN	1879 Westport MO	1898 Siloam Springs, AR
7.	Mary Matilda Powelson	1861 VA		1941 Siloam Springs, AR
	FOURTH GENERATION			
8.	Peter Soldan	1831 Upper Engaden Switzerland;	1863 ?	1893 Brookfield, KS
9.	Violet --	1846? MO		?
10.	Kale Peter Colbjornson Wardrum	1844 Christiana,Oslo Norway;	1867 Chicago IL	1893 Salina, KS
11.	Johanna Louisa Swanson	1844 Sweden		1899 Salina, KS
12.	David Weaver	1820 TN	?	1906 bu. Siloam Springs,AR
13.	Freely --	1820 TN		1895 Siloam Springs AR?
14.	Thomas Powelson	1811? VA	?	?
15.	Dianah (Diann, Diane)--	1838? VA		?
	FIFTH GENERATION			
20.	Laurentius Johannsen Wardrum	1811 Eidsvold onBaarli Farm;	1839	?
21.	Gudbjor Jensdatter Bjerring	1818 Norway?		
22.	Swan Johnson (Jonson)	1805 Mossebo, Morlunda, Sweden	1835 Sweden	1874 Porter IN
23.	Kajsa Lesa Jonson	1813 Sweden		1885 Mariadahl KS
24.	John Weaver	1770? NC	?	?
25.	Elizabeth Weaver	1778? NC	?	?
	SIXTH GENERATION			
40.	Johannes Larsen	1787 Eidsvold, Norway	?	1843? prob. Eidsvold Norway
41.	Martha Marie Heireth	?	?	?
44.	Johas Svensson	1776	?	?
45.	Catharina Nilsdotter	?	?	?
	SEVENTH GENERATION			
80.	Lars Hansen Wardrum	1749 Eidsvold Norway	1781 Eidsvold Norway	1800 Eidsvold Norway
81.	Ingeborg Marie Johnnesdat Waalen	1760 OsheGausdal-Vallen		1846 Eidsvold Norway
	EIGHTH GENERATION			
160.	Hans Olsen Bohn "Paa Wardrum"	1722 Ullensaker, Stovein, Norway	1743	? Eidsvold Norway
161.	Thora Larsdatter Nedre-Bohn	1719? Eidsvold Norway		1801? Eidsvold Norway
162.	Johannes Johnsen Waalen	1723 Vaalen, Gausdal	1746 Vaalen	1763 Valen Gausdal
163.	Ingeborg Iversdatter Thomle	1726 Osksinne, Land, Tomle		1761 Vallen, Gausdal
	NINTH GENERATION			
320.	Ole Haakonsen Stovre	1700 Ullensaker	1721	1724? Ullensaker?
321.	Dorte Kristoffersdatter Frogner	?		?
322.	Lars Davidsen Bohn		Ullensaker	Eidsvold
323.	Ambjor Svendsdatter	?		Eidsvold
324.	John Stenersen Waalen	1690 Waalen, Gausdal	1715 Fron	1746 Waalen, Gausdal
325.	Ronnaug Johansdatter Kongslien	1684 Kongsli, Fron		1742 Gausdal
326.	Iver Nielsen Thomle	1692 Brone, Nardsini, Land	1721 Nordsinni Land	1772 Lille Maen in Skoger
327.	Marit Syversdatter Tomle	1699 Naes, S Land		1738 Thomes, Land
	TENTH GENERATION			
640.	Haakon Olsen Ovrelund or Stovre	1670 Ullensaker	1700 Ullensaker	1739 Ullensaker
641.	Marte Jakobsdatter NedreLund	1664 Ullensaker		1741 Ullensaker
644.	David Bohn	?	?	?
648.	Stener Svendsen Waalen	1659 Waalen, Ostre Gausdal	1682 Gausdal	1743 Gausdal
649.	Eli Johnsdatter Fjerdrum	1663 Fjerdrum, Gausdal		1737 Waalen, Gausdal
650.	Johan Olsen Kongslien	?	?	?
651.	Sessel Ostensdatter Forbrigd	?	?	?
652.	Niels Larsen Broner	1654 Thingvold	1685 Land	1715 Broner,
653.	Birgite (Bert) Iversdatter	1657? Land		1731 Brone, Nardsinne, Land
654.	Syver Andersen Tomle	1659 Thomle, Land	1697? Naes in Land	1726 Thomle, Land
655.	Kari Eriksdatter Naes	1663 Naes, Land		1722 Tomle, Land

Mr. Soldan has additional information about his family as far back as 1440. Surnames in this group other than those given above are: Ovrelund, Stene, Fjerdrum, Tromsnes, Jensdatter, AAdnes, Ovre Lund, Vaalen, Sigsdat, Andersdatter, Haaversdatter, Alfsen, Holum, Syversdatter, Onsrund, Kraabol. Anyone interested in obtaining additional information should write to R. W. Soldan, 661 Zeandale Road, Manhattan, KS 66502.

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BURIALS IN MANHATTAN IN 1902

In the 1 January 1903 issue of the Manhattan Nationalist the burials in the Manhattan Cemetery in 1902 were listed by months. Only names were given. To gain further information about the individuals listed the RCGS book, Sunset Cemetery in Manhattan, Kansas, was used. Also an attempt was made to find obituaries of the individuals in both the Manhattan Nationalist and the Manhattan Mercury. The news item which listed the burials stated that there were 62 individuals buried and that 24 were over 60 years of age and 19 were under 20.

Name	Death date	Additional Information
Oscar WOOD	4 January	Age 34y 9m 20d; dropsy--suffered almost beyond human endurance; m. 1891 to Elsie (Effie) Smith; survivors: wife, son; lived Eureka Valley.
Elias R. DUCKWALL	20 January	b 29 February 1836, Batavia, Clermont Co. OH; m 20 Jan 1863 Anna Marie Dole (b 17 July 1841) of Olive Branch OH; KS 1889; Issue: Harry Clifford, George Earnest, Stella (d. 18 July 1860, Old Bethel; OH), Kate, Alma.
Welcome WELLS	21 January	Age 93y 4m; b. 17 September 1808 in Danville, Caledonia Co., VT s/o Paul Wells Jr. & Mary Mason. Came 1857 to KS and Manhattan by ox team from Leavenworth. Owned shoe shop and land; m.17 May 1829 Troy NY Eliza Gardner; Issue: 7 children of whom George and Sarah were living. Mrs Wells d 1900. Justice of peace; 1862 Repr. Riley co and Pottawatomie co in Legislature and again in 1872-3; Riley co Commissioner; Board of trustees for Asylum of the Blind; 1878, State Senate; Mayor of Manhattan.
Alfred GRIGSBY	24 January	Age 68 (63); paralysis; b 15 September 1834, Hawkins co TN; m 10 June 1861 (1865) Palmyra Cox; served 3 mo in War of Rebellion (Civil War); colored; Moved to Manhattan 1870; highly respected citizen faithful and consciencious Christian.
Henry SEYMOUR	1 February	Age 55; b 1847; uremic poisoning; left wife and two children.
Ida (Mrs. D. C) FLEMING	3 February	Age 28y 11m 27d; peritonitis; b 10 February 1873 St. George nee Ida Mower; educated in Fostoria; moved with parents to Abilene; m 5 November 1891 Dan C. Fleming; Issue: Harley, 9y, Gladys 7y; moved to Manhattan 1895.
Charles (C.S.) McCONNELL	4 February	Age 44; quick consumption; only child of "Aunty" McConnell; died St. Margaret's hospital in Kansas City; buried by father.
Gertrude McCAMMON	5 February	Age 4m, b. 1901.
David H. MANN	9 February	Age 75; paralysis; headline read "'Uncle Dave Dead"; at county home 5 years. Good man of strong religious convictions.
William BLODGETT	10 February	Age 88; came to KS 1850's; wife died 1892. Issue: J. A. Blodgett, Mrs. White, Mrs. Dusenberry; mind not clear for a few years; Keats news item listed him as Grandpa Blodgett.
Roy Layton DRURY	20 February	Age 24y 1m 14d; peritonitis; b 6 January 1878; s/o Mr. & Mrs. Leonard Drury; Young man of good character, truth, honesty, industry, and kindness; employed at Chicago Lumber Yard.
Levi Elbert JOHNSON	20 February	Age 10y 7m 2d; pneumonia; died at home of mother, Mrs. Kate Johnson of North 4th St.
Olive LONG	4 March	Age 26; consumption; d/o Mr. & Mrs. Will Long; d in Denver
Ollie May DRURY	6 March	Age 25; b 29 January 1877; d/o Mr.& Mrs. Leonard Drury.
Catherine Ann FRY	14 March	Age 76y 7m 16d; b 27 July 1825, nee Bretz, Cumberland co PA near Harrisburg; m 1852 Millerstown Perry co PA Simon H. Fry (d. 7 October 1880); Issue; Mary Ellen (d 1868 age 5m); Clarence d 10 April 1881, age 28 leaving wife and one child); Emma Bertha Eils, Ventura CA; Jennie C. Fleming, Stockdale; Lloyd S., Manhattan. Lived since 1884 on College Hill.
Infant MOEHLMAN	22 March	Age 3 wks; d/o William Moehlman.
Harvey A. THACKERY	28 March	Age 49; suffered a serious accident 10 y previous to death; died in the asylum in Topeka; Issue:Samuel Thackery, College Hill; left aged parents and ten brothers and sisters.
Emma HOPE	17 April	Peritonitis; b 14 July 1831 Alleghaney co PA; m 1850 Major W. H. Hope. Issue: Edward, Harry E, Mrs. Emma Southern (d. Dec. 1901). Came Riley co. about 20 years ago.
Infant THOMPSON	19 April	Age 5d; s/o Geo. Thompson.
Mary H. (May) MUDGE	19 April	Age 50; pneumonia;b 10 August 1851; d 8 February 1902 Kansas City; bu. Manhattan 19 April.
Mercy A. HIMES	25 April	Age 36(?)
Hannah S. WOODRUFF	?	No information.

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Alanson IRISH	30 April	Age 87; b February 1815 Colchester VT; m Chloe Bates of Colchester; d in KC. Issue: F. L. Irish (deceased), Homer of Chicago; one dau. died young. Wife bu. in VT.; for many years Alanson Irish was a respected citizen of Manhattan.
John W. WOODMAN	2 May	Age 25; cancer of the lungs, d Blackwell OK, spent boyhood in Manhattan.
Bessie WILYARD	8 (9) May	Age 16 (14); heart disease; d at home of father.
John H. PARKS	7 May	Age 20; b 29 Dec 1881; d from injuries sustained in a train wreck in Topeka; he was in the caboose of a train taking stock to K.C. and it was rammed by another train; s/o Charles Parks; student at Business College.
Ethel SIMMONS	12 May	Age 14y 1m 10d; b 2 April 1888 spinal meningitis; home near St. George.
Orreah (Orren) DAWSON	20 June	Age 4 wk; b. 20 June 1902; s/o C. W. Dawson.
Mary Jane BARNER	20 June	b 21 September 1826 Jefferson co KY d/o Bennett D. Payne & Mary Mackenzie Payne; Paynes were English, who came to America in 1620; her mother was Scottish; raised in Quincy IL; widow of Col. Horatio Gates Barner of the 8th Cavalry.
Joseph KIMBLE	22 June	Age 54; paralysis; b. 20 Jan 1848 Sarahsville OH; came to KS 1860; m/1 1863 KS Belle Dempsey; Issue: 8 children all living; m/2 1889 Miss L. P. Dodge; Issue: 4 children all living.
Oscar FAY		Age 79; b 1821; d. 18 July 1900; left wife, 1 son and 2 dau. From MI to Manhattan, 1876, carpenter. Obituary in July 1900 said he was buried. Reburied June 1902?
Oliver KIMBLE	10 July	Age 8m; b 1901; s/o Mr & Mrs. Joseph Kimble.
LeRoy CROFEET	11 July	Age 47; b 22 March 1855 Tioga co PA; age 13 moved to IA; m 1875 Levonia Bower who survives him; came to KS 1878; Lived in Westmoreland, moved to Manhattan 1900; Issue: Ora D., Ward A, Lurie; bu temporarily in Manhattan and moved to Westmoreland; worked for insurance co.
Viola Lee ROGERS	17 July	Age 2 1/2y; b 1900; congestion of the brain as a result of croup; d/o Mr. Ike and Mrs. A. E. Rogers.
Fern Odenia TRICE	14 July	Age 8m; whooping cough, convulsions; d/o Mr. & Mrs. T. Trice.
Anna MILLER	17 July	Age 79y 6m (76); b Germany; heart trouble; survived by husband Jacob Miller.
Harris J. THOMPSON	19 July	Age 74; b 7 February 1828 Tompkins co NY; brain fever; to Jefferson co KS after Civil War; then to Manhattan. Wife survives.
Infant KNIGHT	19 July	Age 1d; d/o Mr. & Mrs. Irvin Knight.
Mrs. Jerusha G. HOWE	27 July	Age 89; b 27 July 1813 Bozarah CT; Manhattan 1871; Issue: Georg G. (The newspaper incorrectly listed Jerusha G. Howe rather than Mrs)
Gladys Pearl SIMMERMON	3 August	Age 15m; b 1901; d/o Carl Simmermon.
Charles C. GARRETSON	14 August	Age 42; b 18 March 1862 Cambridge MD; suicide by inflicting wounds which proved fatal; part owner with Elliot of a clothing store; driven to desperation by poor health and sciatic rheumatism; Manhattan December 1884; m/1 Ellie Elliot; m/2 1893 Tyrone PA Nannie Boecking; m/3 Wamego Madeline Merritt; first two wives died within a year of marriage.
Ralph E. McDOWELL	16 August	Age 33; drowned in Texas while on duty as a lieutenant in Co. I, KS National Guard; family lived in Elkton CO; Survivors: Father,General J. L. McDowell, sister, Edith, brothers, Purcell and D. C.
Nancy POOLE	19 August	Age 63; b 1840; d Briggs KS; invalid for several years; survived by husband William and Issue: John, William, Bryant, Grover.
Carl HOLBERT	27 August	Age 2 1/2; s/o Mr. & Mr. Mont Holbert.
Elizabeth KEITH	27 August	Age 67; b 25 December 1838; husband J. W. Keith d 1888.
Emma TRAVIS	29 August	Age 29; b Thomas co KS 15 June 1888; typhoid fever; d/o Mr. & Mrs. John A. Travis.
Kate Anna CARLETON	29 August	Age 4.
Lydia M. DAVIS	22 September	Age 73; b 23 January 1829 Columbiana co OH, nee Taylor; m 22 November 1851 Albert Davis; to KS 1878; Issue: F. F., C.C, Nathan, Sarah (all Manhattan); Mrs. Lizzie Criss and David Davis, (both Scott co); Mrs. Hannah Tanner, Cushing OK; Mrs. Rachel Bachelor, Montreal Canada.
Mary Calpurnia BURCH	25 September	Age 65; b 2 March 1837 d/o Rev. Roswell Parker; w/o Benjamin Burch
Harriet Wells GRINNELL	29 September	Age 72; heart failure; lived in RI, Manhattan 1876; niece of Dr. George H. Perry.
Carrie Beatrice THOES	30 September	Age 15; b 11 May 1887; malaria fever; d/o Mr. & Mrs. E. Thoes; survived by parents and sister Mable; 9th grade pupil.
Thomas BUTTERWORTH	30 September	Age 72; b 1830; heart trouble; home on McIntyre Creek.

Hannah BUTTERWORTH	5 October	Age 74; b 1828; w/o Thomas Butterworth (see previous item); stopped at home of Mrs. A. Tegmeier after husband's funeral, became ill from shock.
Charles E. JENNINGS	13 October	Age 38; b 13 January 1864; d Lawton OK
UNKNOWN MAN	19 October	Found on Sunday October 19 on bank of river three miles east of Manhattan with no clothing; thought to be soldier from Ft. Leavenworth.
Joseph Simpson HAYS	27 October	Age 10; b 10 May 1892; appendicitis; s/o John D. & Sarah Hayes.
James M. COX	23 November	Age 73; b 29 July 1829; d Junction City; lived in Manhattan 12 years ago.
Maria GREEN	29 November	Age 70; b 8 October 1832 Portsmouth England; paralysis; moved to Palmyra NY with parents as an infant, then to Pontiac MI; m 11 August 1852 Gerothman Green; Manhattan 1887; Issue: 5 children, 3 living--Alice, Will, and Emer. Husband died 1901.
Albert DEIBLER	9 December	Age 2; b 5 February 1901; s/o Harry & Etta Deibler.
Will C. GREEN	18 December	d Wellington KS; formerly of Manhattan
Henry DENT	24 December	Age 64; b 22 July 1838; apoplexy; CO E, 2nd WV Infantry in Civil War, wounded at 2nd battle of Bull Run; m 1866 Susan Foreman; Manhattan 1888; carpenter.
Pearl HOLLAND	27 December	Age 2m; spinal disease; d/o Mr. & Mrs. O. P. Holland.

(Ancestor Table, Richard Soldan cont. from p. 30)

A PICTURE OF THE SOLDAN FAMILY
Taken near Salina in 1917



In the picture RCGS member, Richard William Soldan, (#1 on the Ancestor Chart) is the small child in the center of the picture being held by his mother, Alma Weaver Soldan, (#3). To her left is Richard's grandmother, Sophia Charlotte Wardrum Soldan, (#5) and his grandfather, Tell Winklereed Sodan, (#4). Richard's father, Leonard Clarence Soldan, (#2) took the picture. Others in the picture are close relatives of Richard.

In the center of the picture at a distance back of the group is a double windmill, i.e. the mill has two sets of revolving blades. At the right in the picture, the dark object is the back end of a chain driven Buick.

Queries ??

Queries are free to members and to others if space is available. Print or type all names, and give dates and areas for names. Do not abbreviate words. Double space lines.

KK-27-2. BOHNER, SWEET, PELTIER, REGNIER, McGRATH. Adam BOHNER b. 1824 Bavaria, m. Elizabeth ALLIS 1826-1831. Located St. George, KS, Louisville, Wamego. Sons: Joseph BOHNER (1857), Pott. co. m. 28 Oct. 1878, Wamego, Emma E. Sweet b 1861; Adam BOHNER (Jr.?) b 1858 m. 3 July 1879, Wamego, Josephine PELTIER; Ernst BOHNER b. 1859 m 9 June 1885, Wamego, Ophelia D. REGNIER, Wamego; Frederick M. BOHNER b. March 1862, m. 19 Oct. 1885, Wamego, Winnifred McGRATH; Martin BOHNER b. 1867; John BOHNER b. 1869, d. 2 Aug. 1924, Junction City, KS; Ulysses S. BOHNER b. 1871, d. 18 Aug 1888, bu. Wamego cem. Need help on all of these. A. J. Lokenbauer, 5618 McKenzie Rd, North Olmsted, OH 44070.

KK-27-3. PRAY. Looking for descendants of my great-uncle, Jethro H. PRAY, d. 6 March 1898, Moodyville, KS. Wish to exchange information. Robert Moody Smith, 401 Mt. Washington Dr., Los Angeles, CA 90065.

KK-27-4. CARMICHAEL. Looking for parents of Hardin CARMICHAEL, b. 1827, d. 1909 Marshall Co. IL and Ambrose CARMICHAEL b. 1839 IN. Ambrose had land until 1885, Shelby Co. IL. Said both went to KS.,Helen Carmichael Campbell, 1010 Pine Grove Road, Klamath Falls, OR 97603.

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Cemetery Records

APPLETON CEMETERY

The Appleton cemetery is located 6 1/2 miles north of Green, KS in Clay County.

The Appleton Cemetery Association of Fancy Creek, Clay county, KS, received its charter in May 1896. Christopher Hunter, Thomas Baker, and Sidney Wilder were appointed trustees for the first year. On 10 September 1898, the 2 A. in SE corner of SE 1/4 of 17-6-4 were purchased from Mrs. Ann Appleton "...as a proper grounds for the deposit of the dead of the settlement." Trustees appointed were J. W. Tucker, Charles Appleton, Charles Odle, A. Boughen, and C. Rote.

Appleton Burials

APPLETON, Anna, buried 20 Apr. 1912 (from records)
James W. d. 10 Nov. 1871, age 51 y.
N. W. son of James & Anna, d. 23 Aug 1878, age 29y. 6 m.
Thomas J., d. 18 Sept. 1895, age 42 y. 11 m. 29 d.
Emma, wife of W. Appleton, d. 9 April 1877, age 26 y. 6 d.
ATTWOOD, Thomas E., father d. 14 Nov 1910, age 60 y. 8 m. 9 d.
Mary M., his wife, d. 7 Apr. 1928, age 75 y. 8 m. 12 d., mother
BAKER, Ivan, 1921-1923
BACON, Amy, wife of B.B. Bacon, d. 13 Oct. 1907, age 85 y. 11 mo. 13 d.
BODE, George G., b. 21 Dec. 1897, d. 21 June 1900
Henry, 1855-1939
Jennie, 1861-1923
BOUGHEN, A., 1847-1930, Mason
Elizabeth WILSON, no date
Anna R., wife of A. Boughen, 1852-1888
Adella E., wife of A. Boughen, 1858-1924
CLARK, Margaret, 1814-1897
John H., 1813-1900
Inf. dau. of J. H. & S. J. Clark
CRAIN, Eunice Z. Dau. of J. H. & H. E. Crain, d. 19 April 1899, age 2 y. 6 m. 6 d.
CURTIS, Mary F., 26 Mar. 1824-5 Feb. 1899
William, d. 9 Aug. 1908, age 91 y. 7 m. 14 d.
l. J. d. 22 Jan 1887, age 33 y.
FULLERTON, A. P., b. 10 Mar. 1827, d. 10 Mar. 1904
Margaret C., his wife, b. 5 Feb. 1829, d. 1 Nov. 1908
Mother Carrie C., 19 Oct. 1866-6 July 1941
Father James P., 13 May 1854-17 Jan. 1917
GERARDY, Peter, 25 Apr. 1831-27 May 1911, father
Caroline C., 20 Sept. 1838-6 Jan. 1904, mother
Paul, 5 May 1860-13 Sept. 1927
George, b. 28 Mar 1872, d. 6 June 1874
William, 1867-1945
Myrtle RANSLEY Gerardy, 1876-1951, wife of Wm.
GILBERT, Belle, buried 27 Aug. 1916
GRAY, Woodman M., d. 15 Jan. 1894, age 62 y. 11 m. 19 d.
Susan H., d. 15 Dec. 1893, age 58 y. 5 m. 21 d.
GUMLEY, Claudie C., d. 16 Oct. 1889, age 3 m. 17 d.
HAZEN, Samuel, 1849-1924
Anna, his wife, 1856-1908
HENRY, Ella H., wife of Leroy Henry, b. 20 Nov. 1884, d. 5 Mar. 1912. Body reinterred 13 Dec. 1957, in Greenwood Cemetery in Clay Center, KS. (An interesting note--The burial of Mrs. Ella Lloyd Henry in March 1912 was unusual. Deep snow covered the ground and drifts filled the road the day of the funeral making travel very difficult. Mounted men rode beside the horse drawn hearse holding ropes to steady it. The cortege reached the cemetery so late that the burial was after dark.)
JONES, Mother Ellen, d. Kimeo, 24 Oct. 1894, age 86 y.
KENDALL, Amy, wife of Ed Kendall, b. 14 Dec. 1878, d. 23 Feb. 1904
Infant, b. 18 Feb 1904, d. 1 Mar. 1904
Infant, b. 18 Feb. 1904, d. 24 Feb. 1904
KNIGHT, Mother Jessie M., 1881-1921
Rev. W. H., 1839-1904
Mary F., 1837-1912
LLOYD, Thomas S., 2 Sept. 1838-5 Feb. 1892
Ellen, his wife, 21 Feb. 1842-4 Nov. 1928
LONG, Mother Harriet Neoma, b. 1858, d. 19 Dec. 1892
Father, Robert B., 1851-1928
MAITLEN, Wm. T., 1896-1923
MURPHEY, Howard A., Wagoner 110 A.M. TN 35 Div. from Kans., d. 31 March 1940, American Legion
Wm. J., 27 Mar. 1944, age 78 y. 1 m. 1 d.
Etta B., wife of W. J. Murphy, 15 June 1868-30 May 1911
NEWTON, Henry O., 1860-1946
Emma, wife of H. Newton, 1862-1920
Nina E., dau. of A. W. & Lillie Newton, d. 25 Dec. 1878, age (8 or 3?) y. 1 mo. 24 d.
NICHOLAS, Eugene, 1934-1934
ODLE, Mother Elizabeth A., 21 Jan. 1847-13 Oct. 1887
RANSLEY, Mother Maria, wife of Thomas, b. 13 Dec. 1819, d. 14 Feb. 1896, age 77 y. 2 m. 1 d.
Thomas C., 1871-1914
Thomas C. & Myrtle RANSLEY, parents of Eulah, Orvil, Jessie
Orvil A., 1898-1899
REED, Earnest, 1920-1921 (son of G. W. & I. L. Reed
Belle, 1819-1923
Joseph, 1833-1887, parents of Maggie, Lizzie, Mackie, Martha, Magdalene, Roseylee, Emma, George
Makie B., 1868-1941, husband
Bertha H., 1883-1961, wife
George W., 1881-1965
Milo, b. 26 Oct 1909, d. 17 Jan. 1971
ROTE, C. D., 1840-1918
Margaret J., his wife, 1843-1927
Karl M., 4 Sept. 1882-14 Jan. 1883
SCHERRER, John, 1850-1926
Belle, 1864-1935
SMITH, Corp. John Smith, Co. B., 8 Mich. Cav.
Eliza A., wife of John Smith, 15 Apr. 1842-13 Nov. 1893
Emmannuel, 10 July 1871, age 10 y. 7 m. 5 d.
Vernon, 11 Dec. 1883, age 2 y. 10 m. 5 d., Children of John and Eliza Smith
TUCKER, Walter E., son of J. W. & M. A., d. 21 Aug. 1888, age 3 y. 9 m. 24 d.
Matilda A., wife of J. W., d. 19 July 1898, age 55 y. 9 m. 28 d.

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THE OLSON-PETERSON FAMILIES OF DICKINSON COUNTY

The research article below is a continuation of RCGS member Tom Branigar's research on Swedish immigrants in Dickinson County, Kansas

Immigrants from Sweden formed an important ethnic group in Dickinson co, KS. Most of those who became permanent settlers lived near Enterprise in the eastern part of Center twp. This group is well documented due to the efforts of Mrs. Ellen Peterson of Enterprise who spent many years compiling information on the Swedish settlers of the area.

Another, much smaller group of Swedes lived around Upland in Fragrant Hill twp in the NE corner of the county. Very little is known of this group as no local historian has yet made a systematic survey of its members. Many of the Swedes lived in the Upland area only temporarily, and those who remained permanently left few details of their lives in local historical records.

A major exception is the family of Peter and Brita Olson. The Olsons immigrated to the US in 1869 and settled in the Upland area shortly after their arrival. Peter and Brita lived at Upland for the rest of their lives and left many descendants in the area.Four members of Brita's family also settled in the area: her mother and step-father Brita and Carl Hagberg who arrived in 1879, and her sister and brother-in-law Anna and Carl Erick Peterson who arrived in 1889. The Petersons, however, eventually moved to Center twp where the larger Swedish colony was located.

Both families achieved local prominence. Charles Olson, the oldest child of Peter and Brita, helped organize the Upland Mutual Insurance Company and served as its secretary for 40 years. This company, chartered in 1896, is still in existence. His sister Bertha married William Sigg of Rinehart twp who served as a county commissioner for many years. Their cousin Carl Robert Peterson, oldest son of Anna and Carl Erick, was the husband of Ellen Welander Peterson, the noted Enterprise teacher, librarian, journalist and historian.

Due to the fame of the Olsons in the Upland area numerous accounts of the family have appeared in print. Many county newspapers carried lengthy obituaries of Brita at the time of her death (see for example the Abilene Daily Reflector 5 Apr 1926, the Chapman Advertiser 8 Apr 1926 and the Enterprise Journal 8 and 15 Apr 1926). Another account of the family was given in a history of Fragrant Hill twp that was compiled in 1958 by a granddau, Mrs Adele Hill Wilkins (copy in Dickinson County Historical Society). These sources indicate that Brita was born in Malung parish, Kopparberg co, Sweden, and moved to Sodermanland co as a young lady where she married Peter Olson. During a visit to the Family History Library in Salt Lake City, Utah, the Swedish records were searched for information on their family background. The Malung parish registers provided information on Brita and Anna's family, while the records of various parishes in Sodermanland co provided information on their husbands Peter Olson and Carl Erick Peterson. This article is based on the Swedish records at the Family History Library and on the holdings of the Dickinson County Historical Society in Abilene, KS.

A. Olof Olsson, father of Brita and Anna, b 22 Nov 1817 at Myckelbyn farm, Malung parish, Kopparberg co, Sweden, the son of Olof Olsson and Brita Larsdotter. He m 10 July 1842 to Brita Olsdotter. She was b 28 May 1823 at Mellan Mons farm, Malung parish, the dau of Olof Olsson and Brita Halsvardsdotter. They spent all their married life at Myckelbyn where their 9 children were born. Olof d 4 Dec 1873 at Myckelbyn. About 1877 Brita m2 to Carl E. Hagberg. Carl was b Oct 1852 and was thus 29y younger than his wife. In 1879 they immigrated to America and settled near Peter and Brita Olson in the Upland area of Dickinson co, KS. Brita d 17 July 1905 and was buried in the Liberty cemetery at Upland.

Children of Olof Olsson and Brita Olsdotter:

1 i. Brita, b 12 July 1842; moved to Sodermanland co in 1864
ii. Olof, b 5 Mar 1844
iii. Lars, b 3 May 1846
iv. Per, b 30 Sept 1848; d 16 Oct 1848
v. Per, b 18 Sept 1849
vi. Jonas Gustaf, b 8 Jan 1853; d 18 Mar 1854
vii. Nils August, b 13 Mar 1855
2 viii. Anna, b 23 July 1858; moved to Sodermanland co in 1874
ix. Eric, b 13 May 1861

B. Kerstin Olsdotter, mother of Peter Olson, was b in 1797 in Vastra Vingaker parish, Sodermanland co, Sweden, and lived most of her life at Oppeberga in Vastra Vingaker parish. She was twice married and had 5 children. Her first husband, who she m 26 Sept 1823, was Eric Jonsson. He was b 16 Dec 1773 and d 21 Mar 1831. Her second husband, who she m 23 May 1836, was Olof Andersson. He was b 4 July 1792.

Children of Kerstin Olsdotter and Eric Jonsson:

i. Eric Ersson, b 17 Dec 1824
ii. Kerstin Ersdotter, b 20 Feb 1827
iii. Brita Ersdotter, b 2 May 1830

Children of Kerstin Olsdotter and Olof Andersson:

iv. Olof Olsson, b 18 Jan 1836
1 v. Per Olsson, b 16 Feb 1840 [Peter Olson]

C. Pehr Eric Jonsson, father of Carl Erick Peterson was b 6 Oct 1831. He m Anna Catherine Larsdotter who was b 4 Oct 1824. Following their marriage they lived briefly in Ludgon parish, Sodermanland co, Sweden, but later settled in neighboring Bogsta parish where their children were born. Anna d July 1921 in Sweden, aged 96y (death notice in Enterprise Journal 14 July 1921).

Children of Pehr Eric Jonsson and Anna Catherine Larsdotter:

2 i. Carl Erick, b 26 May 1857
ii. Johan Wilhelm, b 24 Dec 1858
iii. Anders Gustaf, b 20 Feb 1861

1. Brita Olsdotter b 12 July 1842 at Myckelbyn, Malung parish, Kopparberg co, Sweden. In 1864 she moved to Sodermanland co and settled in Stora Malm parish near the town of Katrineholm. She m 3 Sept 1864 in Stora Malm parish to Peter Olson who was b

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16 Feb 1840 at Oppeberga, Vastra Vingaker parish, Sodermanland co. Peter provides an interesting example of the Swedish flexibility in the use of surnames. He was born Per Olsson, the "Olsson" being a patronymic surname. As an adult he assumed another surname, Olander, by which he was known for several years. He appears as Per Olander in the Stora Malm parish registers and in the 1869 immigration register of Sodermanland co. He even continued using the name briefly in America, as the 1880 census of Dickinson co lists him as "Peter Olander." However, his family eventually settled on the name Olson, and Peter's name is given as "P. Olson" in the 1875 state census of Dickinson co and as "Peter Olson" on his tombstone. To avoid confusion he is referred to in this article by the Anglicised form of his name, Peter Olson. Brita and Peter lived in Stora Malm parish following their marriage and their first 2 children were born there. In 1869 the family immigrated to America. Their 2-yr-old dau died at sea during the voyage. Peter and Brita settled near Upland in the NE corner of Dickinson co, KS, where they lived the rest of their lives. They had 5 more children, 2 of whom d in infancy. Peter d 24 Nov 1884 from the effects of a sunstroke. Brita d 27 Mar 1926. Both are buried in the Liberty cemetery in Fragrant Hill twp at Upland.
Children of Peter Olson and Brita Olsdotter:

3 i. Carl Johan, b 25 Oct 1864
ii. Anna Mathilda, b 12 Feb 1867; d at sea 1869
4 iii. Anna, b 20 May 1872
5 iv. Bertha, b 10 Feb 1876
6 v. Olivia, b 1879
vi and vii. 2 children d in infancy, names and dates unknown

2. Anna Olsdotter b 23 July 1858 at Myckelbyn, Malung parish, Kopparberg co, Sweden. In 1874 she moved to Sodermanland co and settled in Bogsta parish. She m 14 Apr 1879 in Bogsta parish to Carl Erick Peterson. He was b 26 May 1857 in Bogsta parish, the Swedish form of his name being Pehrsson. Carl and Anna lived in Sodermanland co where their first 3 sons were born. In 1889 they immigrated to America and settled near the Olsons at Upland, Fragrant Hill twp, Dickinson co, KS, where they were listed in the 1900 census. Their youngest son was b at Upland. About 1910 they moved to Center twp and settled E of Enterprise where they lived the rest of their lives. Carl d 23 Feb 1921 and Anna d 17 Feb 1952 (obituaries in Enterprise Journal 3 Mar 1921 and 21 Feb 1952). Both are buried in the Pleasant Hill cemetery E of Enterprise.
Children of Carl Erick Peterson and Anna Olsdotter:

7 i. Carl Robert, b 7 June 1879
8 ii. Erick Edward, b 17 Sept 1880
9 iii. Herman Knut, b 12 July 1884
10 iv. Dewey Leslie, b 3 Apr 1898

3. Charles J. Olson b 25 Oct 1864 in Stora Malm parish, Sodermanland co, Sweden, the Swedish form of his name being Carl Johan Olander. He immigrated to America in 1869 with his parents and settled at Upland, Dickinson co, KS where he lived the rest of his life. He ml 26 Oct 1887 in Dickinson co to Samantha Gross. She was b 2 Apr 1867 and d 2 Nov 1892 and was bur in the Liberty cemetery, Upland. They had 1 dau. Charles m2 in Oct 1910 to Lillie Baumberger. She was b 17 Apr 1871 in Washington co, KS, the dau of Aaron B. and Mary Ann Baumberger. Charles d 3 June 1936 and was bur in the Liberty cemetery (obituary Abilene Daily Chronicle 10 June 1936 and Chapman Advertiser 11 June 1936). Lillie d 31 Aug 1952 and was bur at Washington, KS (obituary Chapman Advertiser 11 Sept 1952).
Child of Charles J. Olson and Samantha Gross:

11 i. Eva, b 21 June 1889

4. Anna Olson b 20 May 1872 near Junction City, KS and lived all her life in the Upland area of Dickinson co. She m 2 July 1893 at Junction City to Hannibal S. Hill who was b 16 July 1871 at Cookport, PA. He joined the US Army as a youth and was sent west to Fort Riley, KS. During his military service he participated in the Indian wars and was present at the Battle of Wounded Knee, South Dakota in 1890. He remained in KS after his discharge and he and his wife spent all their married life in the Upland area. Hannibal d 1 Apr 1935 (obituary Abilene Daily Reflector 10 Apr 1935) and Anna d 6 Dec 1957 (obituary Chapman Advertiser 19 Dec 1957). Both are buried in the Liberty cemetery.
Children of Hannibal S. Hill and Anna Olson:

12 i. Adele Elizabeth, b 3 June 1894
ii. Roland William, b 8 Jan 1896; m Esther Gfeller; had 5 ch, 1 of whom d in infancy; d 13 July 1932; bur Liberty cemetery (obituary Chapman Advertiser 21 July 1935)
iii. Lola Olivia, b 9 Jan 1899; d 23 Oct 1927; unmarried; bur Liberty cemetery (obituary Chapman Advertiser 3 Nov 1927)
iv. Frances, b 20 May 1900; m Ralph Chamberlin; had 6 ch, 2 of whom d in infancy; d 4 June 1988; bur Good Hope cemetery, Fragrant Hill twp, Dickinson co, KS (obituary Abilene Reflector-Chronicle 25 June 1988)
v. Ruth V., b after 1900 census; m Arthur Roesler; no children; currently living at Chapman, KS.
vi. Menno, b after 1900 census; currently living at Clearwater, Fla
vii. Gaylord F., b 15 Oct 1907; d 23 Dec 1964, unmarried; bur Liberty cemetery (obituary Chapman Advertiser 31 Dec 1964)

5. Bertha Olson b 10 Feb 1876 near Upland where she grew up. She m 22 May 1907 to William Sigg. He was b 9 Dec 1879 near Zook, Pawnee co, KS, the son of Casper Sigg and Caroline Buhrer. His family moved to the Enterprise area when he was a child. Bertha and William lived in Rinehart twp, Dickinson co, all of their married life. William served on the township board and was a county commissioner for many years. William d 21 June 1963 and Bertha d 4 July 1972 (obituaries in Chapman Advertiser 27 June 1963 and 6 July 1972). Both are buried in the Rinehart cemetery.
Children of William Sigg and Bertha Olson:

i. Dessie, m Howard Fry; currently living at Hope, KS
ii. Woodrow, b 5 July 1913; m Leona Welch; had 5 children; d 5 July 1961; bur Rinehart cemetery (obituary Abilene Reflector-Chronicle 20 July 1961)

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6. Olivia Olson b 1879 at Upland where she grew up. She m Edwin R. Handy and moved to St. Paul, Minn, where she was living in 1926 and 1936. They had no children. Olivia d 2 Feb 1952 at Omaha, Neb, and was buried at St. Paul, Minn (death notice Chapman Advertiser 14 Feb 1952).

7. Carl Robert Peterson b 7 June 1879 in Bogsta parish, Sodermanland co, Sweden; immigrated to US 1889 and settled at Upland where he grew up. He moved to the Enterprise area about 1910 and was m in 1914 to Ellen Lenore Welander. Ellen was b 3 Feb 1889 at Enterprise, dau of Charles and Anna M. Welander who had immigrated from Sweden in 1887. Carl and Ellen spent their married life in the Enterprise area. Ellen taught school for several years before her marriage, and served as Enterprise city librarian 1945-60. She was a rural correspondent for the Enterprise Journal for over 40 years and wrote numerous articles on the Swedish pioneers of Center twp. In 1957 she published a book, A Kansans Enterprise, on the history of Enterprise. Carl d 18 May 1955 (obit in Chapman Advertiser 26 May 1955) and Ellen d 27 Sept 1983 (obituary Abilene Reflector-Chronicle 6 Oct 1983). Both are buried in the Pleasant Hill cemetery E of Enterprise.
Children of Carl Robert Peterson and Ellen Lenore Welander:
- i. Rachel May, b 23 May 1916; d 30 June 1922; bur Pleasant Hill cemetery (obituary in Enterprise Journal 6 July 1922)
- ii. Robert L., graduated from Enterprise High School 1937; living at Urbana, IL 1955 and Greenwich, Conn, 1983
- iii. Florence, graduated from Enterprise High School 1941; m _____ Anderson; living at Chicago, IL 1955 and St. Joseph, MO 1983
- iv. Carl Lenus, graduated from Enterprise High School 1945; living at Pekin, IL 1955 and at Peoria, IL 1983.

8. Erick Edward Peterson b 17 Sept 1880 in Sodermanland co, Sweden; immigrated to US in 1889 and settled at Upland where he grew up. He moved to Center twp about 1910 where he farmed. He m 19 Feb 1940 to Josephine Koebinger who was b 25 June 1897. They spent their married life at Abilene, KS, except for a short period at Milwaukie, Wisc. Erick d 21 Nov 1952 and Josephine d 30 Dec 1984 (obituaries in Abilene Reflector-Chronicle 4 Dec 1952 and 31 Dec 1984). Both are buried in the Pleasant Hill cemetery E of Enterprise. They had no children.

9. Herman Knut Peterson b 12 July 1884 in Sodermanland co, Sweden; immigrated to US in 1889 and settled at Upland where he grew up; moved to a farm S of Chapman about 1910. He m 11 Feb 1919 to Lillie V. Erickson. She was b 17 Mar 1887 at McPherson, KS, the dau of Jacob Erickson and Jennie Baxtrom, and moved to the Enterprise area as a child. Herman and Lillie spent their married life at Chapman. Herman d 15 Oct 1960 and Lillie d 8 Sept 1984 (obituaries in Chapman Advertiser 20 Oct 1960 and 13 Sept 1984). Both are buried in the Pleasant Hill cemetery E of Enterprise.
Children of Herman K. Peterson and Lillie Erickson:
- i. Kenneth Wilbur, b 27 Apr 1921; m Glenadine Beisch; had 1 son; killed in a car wreck 14 Jan 1967; bur Pleasant Hill cem E of Enterprise (obituary Chapman Advertiser 19 and 26 Jan 1967)
- ii. Pauline, graduated from Chapman High School 1943; m1 by 1960 to _____ Sherrell; had 1 son; m2 by 1967 to Paul Dicken; living at Overland Park, KS, 1984

10. Dewey Leslie Peterson b 3 Apr 1898 near Junction City, KS, and lived in the Upland area as a boy; moved to the Rinehart area about 1910. He m 25 Dec 1924 to Anne Frances Erickson, the dau of Peter J. Erickson and Anna M. Olson of the Enterprise area. They spent most of their married life in the Rinehart area and had 4 children. Dewey d 10 May 1987 and was buried in the Pleasant Hill cemetery E of Enterprise (obituary Abilene Reflector-Chronicle 29 May 1987). Anne currently lives at Chapman.
Children of Dewey L. Peterson and Anne F. Erickson:
- i. Dewey L. Jr., living at Conroe, Texas, 1987
- ii. Dorothy, graduated from Chapman High School 1947; m Wayne Cook; living near Hope, KS, 1987
- iii. James F., graduated from Chapman High School 1950; living at El Paso, Texas 1987
- iv. Joan, graduated from Chapman High School 1951; m Raymond Erickson; living at Phoenix, Ariz, 1987

11. Eva Olson b 21 June 1889 at Upland and lived in the area all of her life. She m 15 Apr 1908 in Dickinson co to Chris Zumbrunn. He was b 26 Oct 1872 in canton Bern, Switz. At the age of 7y he immigrated to US with his family and settled S of Junction City, Geary co, KS. In 1904 he moved to the Upland area where he lived the rest of his life. Eva d 4 Nov 1921 at home near Upland (obit in Junction City Republic 17 Nov 1921) and Chris d 8 Mar 1960 (obituary Chapman Advertiser 10 Mar 1960). Both are buried in the Humboldt cemetery S of Junction City.
Children of Chris Zumbrunn and Eva Olson:
- i. Carl, currently living at Chapman, KS
- ii. Arnold, b 15 Oct 1910; m Margaret Randall; had no children; d 13 Apr 1985; bur in Humboldt cemetery (obituary Abilene Reflector-Chronicle 15 Apr 1985)

12. Adele Elizabeth Hill b 3 June 1894 at Upland and lived in the area all her life. She m 1930 to Walter Wilkins. He was b 22 Dec 1876 N of Chapman, the son of Edwin Wilkins and Harriet E. Norman, and lived in the area all his life. They had no children. Walter d 28 Apr 1948 and Adele d 19 Feb 1971 (obituaries in Chapman Advertiser 6 May 1948 and 4 Mar 1971). Both are buried in the Good Hope cemetery, Fragrant Hill twp, Dickinson co, KS.

FEMALE NAMES IN SCOTLAND

When researching females in Scotland look for their maiden names, as these are what appear in all legal documents, including the death record. The female's name at birth is her legal name throughout life. (Ancestors Unlimited, Vol. 9, no. 3, Jonesboro, GA)

Book Reviews

GENEALOGY AND HISTORY OF THE WATSON FAMILY FROM IRISH IMMIGRANTS TO MAYFLOWER DESCENDANTS. Compiled by Samuel E. Watson Jr., 5507 Inverness Ave., Santa Rosa, CA, 95404. 1988, 190 pp., soft cover, $21.00.

Part One of this work includes the genealogy and history of the Matthew Watson family beginning with the earliest known ancestor in Ireland in 1664 and down through cities in Maine, Rhode Island, Tennessee, and Texas. There are 91 family sketches which chart many lines of descent from Matthew Watson and Mary Orr's six children. Included are the following related surnames for at least three generations: Bemis, Bent, Blackmore, Browning, Bryant, Denny, Draper, Foster, Loring, Maxfield, Patterson, Sadler, Studley, Thomas, Washburn, and Wheeler.

Part Two includes the following female lines from three to seven generations: Allibone, Armington, Bagley, Bicknell, Confer, Donelson, Irion, Kimsey, Lapice, Latimer, Livermore, Post, Reed, Remington, Shower, Stevens, and Wulfjen. As well as complete genealogical data many entries have descriptions and interesting stories or facts.

This fine genealogy includes seven pictures, two bibliographies, and three indexes.

NOW WE ARE MANY, AN ELI BYLER FAMILY HISTORY, 1849-1978. Compiled by Dorothy Ann Byler Vauter. Revised and updated by Neva White, 2465 Vaughn, Manhattan KS, 66502. Spiral binding, 8 1/2 x 11, 1978, $4.50.

The first of the Byler (Beiler) family in America were Jacob and his wife Veronica. They were Swiss immigrants who came to Pennsylvania, 8 October 1737. Most of the family were Amish or Mennonites. In the first part of the book is an interesting ancestral history with complete genealogies of the Byler and Yoder families. Names in this family heritage besides Byler and Yoder, include: Hertzler, Kaufffman, Lantz, King, Zook, Hooley, Detweiler, Kurtz, Fisher, Reichenback, Blank, and Sharp.

Eli Byler, great, great, great grandson of Jacob, had a family of twelve children. He, his wife Mary Ann Yoder Byler, and the first five children came to Kansas from Ohio and settled in the Newton area. There the next seven children were born. This book has tributes to each of them along with complete family charts. The index has about 500 names. Relatives by marriage are in a separate index.

The title, "Now We Are Many" is apt and the book should be welcomed by each of them.

SOME DESCENDANTS OF RICHARD PERKINS AND WIFE MARY OF BALTIMORE CO., MD. Published by Sarah G. Sitz, 2121 Meadowlark Dr., Manhattan, KS 66502. 164 pp., 8 1/2 x 11, looseleaf notebook bound, indexed, illustrated, $20. (Review by Ralf Graham)

As early as the 1670's, Chauncey Perkins and his four sons, Ebenezer, William, Valentine and Richard, came to America and settled in Maryland.

This genealogical compilation documents the descendants of Richard Perkins from that time down through eleven generations to the present day.

Movements of this family from this early beginning have taken them to many other states including New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Virginia, North Carolina, Illinois, Iowa, Missouri, Nebraska, and Kansas.

The author indicates that "...this work has been done in order to share with others the records, facts and perhaps fiction of the many persons from whom we inherited our traits."

The wealth of data included in this work reflects a dedication of time and effort by the author in assembling relevant information from such diverse sources as family interviews and records, printed materials, census files, and courthouse records.

In addition to the 56 pages devoted to the usual documented genealogical charting of the generations, this work also includes a potpourri of support documentation in the form of maps, newspaper and book excerpts, legal documents, census records, and family photographs.

For anyone interested in learning more about this particular Perkins line, the author has achieved her goal of providing an avenue for "...bringing pleasure to some people, and the desire to know more about our ancestors to others."

STRONG SCHOOL OPENS

Teachers and Pupils Occupy a Fine New Building

(The Nationalist, August 29, 1914)

School was opened in Strong district No. 1 this morning with Mrs. Stella Tatman and Miss Ruth Thomas as teachers.

This district has just completed a new school house, and according to Miss Hanna Wetzig, county superintendent, this building is the most modern school structure in Riley county, with the exception of the Manhattan buildings.

The new building is a brick structure, cost about $5,000 and is modern with the exception of the lights and it is said electric lights may be installed in the building later. The building is only one story high, but it has four rooms--two classrooms, one rest room and a library. Also the basement is finished and has been equipped for domestic science and manual training work.

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TUCKER, Johnsey W., b. 23 April 1837, d. 24 Jan. 1909, age 71 y. 9 m. 1 d.
WILDER, Isaac, d. 8 Dec. 1894, age 66 y. 7 m. 19 d.
Olive A., died in Deer Creek, OK, buried 3 Feb. 1917 (no stone--from records)
WILSON, Georgie, son of W. W. & C. A., b. 11 Feb. 1882, d. 28 Jan. 1883
WINSWORTH, Ethel M., d. 22 Oct. 1888, age 1 y. 11 m. 2 d.
Myrtle L., d. 16 Dec. 1892, age 3 m. 2 d.
YEAGER, twins, 1936-1936
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MEMBERSHIP

Anyone interested in preserving family and community records is invited to become a member. Dues are $10.00 per calendar year per family unit. Members receive the current year's issues of Kansas Kin. Genealogists are on hand each Tuesday and Thursday morning to help with genealogical problems. Free classes are held periodically. An hour's free research is provided for out-of-town members. Members can buy books approved by the Acquisition Committee as gifts to the Society. The Society will pay one-half the cost of such books.

PROGRAM MEETINGS

The last Monday of each month, September through May, except December; meetings are held from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the Manhattan Public Library, unless otherwise announced.

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The RCGS quarterly is published in February, May, August, and November. The staff welcomes receiving Bible and church records, wills, school and court records, and family records and stories. Ancestor tables are limited to one page, 68 lines, per member. Materials concerned with people or events in counties adjacent to Riley County as well as Riley County are solicited. Upon request, gift books will be reviewed in Kansas Kin and given to RCGS.

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All donations to RCGS may be deductible on federal income tax returns. The IRS has ruled the Society a tax exempt educational and scientific organization within the meaning of Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954.

MEMORIAL GIFTS

All monies received in memory of a deceased member or non-member are used for acquisitions. The deceased's family is notified that the donation has been received by RCGS.

1989 DATES TO REMEMBER

August 9, Board Meeting
August 16-19, Federation of Genealogy Societies conference, Seattle-Tacoma
September 10-17. American Family Records Assn (AFRA) research trip to Salt Lake City (by air)
September 13, Board Meeting
September 25, RCGS Regular Meeting, Public Library Martha Streeter, "Streeter Family Tour of England"
September 30-October 9, KCGS sponsored trip to Washington, D.C. and Richmond, VA.
October 11, Board Meeting
October 14, RCGS Annual Workshop, Marilyn Wellauer

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The President presents

32 enrollees participated in the Free Workshop on May 20 at the First Assembly of God Church. Darlene Hagen provided rolls and coffee as well as lots of time and effort to make it a success. Thanks to those who were topic leaders: Miriam Field, Stella Frey, Joe Ann Moore, Golda Sitz, Pauline Streeter, Peggy Ward and Milton Wray.

The Rose Garden committee painted the trellis and had the garden looking its best for the Dedication on May 27. About 30 attended. Thanks to Ed Bagley, Robert Ealy, Naomi Johnson, Frances Lanning and Joe Ann Moore for their work and to Ray Keen and John Sjo for their remarks.

Thanks to the following who helped at the annual cleanup day May 5: Annie Cunningham, Cecil Eyestone, Naomi Johnson, Joe Ann Moore and Joe Ward.

The Kansas Council of Genealogical Societies was attended by five RCGS members on June 10 at Beloit. Since it was the 15th anniversary of the Council, certificates were awarded to charter members. RCGS members Grace Woldt and Laurine Pittman were issued certificates and Laurine also received a silver gavel charm for having served as Council president - its first. Council has grown from 16 societies in 1974 to its present 56 societies. Darlene Hagen announced that Sandra Luebking will be the speaker at the 1990 meeting in Manhattan.

The Federation of Genealogical Societies has reached its goal of 50,000 names so all members of our Society will receive their newsletter beginning with the fall issue.

As you are going through genealogical periodicals and come across an excellent article on a specific subject/state/country/etc. which you feel others should know about, make note of the date/page/title/periodical and place the note in my box or leave it with a librarian. A card will be placed in the card catalog under the subject so other readers will be alerted to it.

A reminder to those who may have forgotten that the Society has a Memorial Fund to be used by anyone wishing to contribute to the Society in memory of a departed member or non-member. Contributions are acknowledged by a note to the deceased's family, notifying them of the contributor and the amount. The funds are non-stipulative as to use but will not be spent for operating expenses. This fund was begun in 1981 and currently contains $493.

Since summer plans necessitate the use of substitute librarians, I would like to take this means of thanking those who readily agree to substitute. If it was not for them, it would be difficult to recruit librarians if they felt they could not have "time off" when other plans interfere.

Evelyn

Society News

1989 RCGS FALL WORKSHOP PROGRAM

Persons attending the 1989 RCGS Fall Workshop on Saturday, October 14, will hear many helpful tips on tracing family roots both in Europe and the United States.

Marilyn Ann Wellauer, the featured presenter, is a Milwaukee, Wisconsin secondary school teacher by vocation, and a professional genealogist by avocation.

She is a prolific researcher/writer, having produced several family genealogies and more than 20 research publications.

Her basic interest started in researching German roots and expanded to other European countries. Her American research interest relates mainly to eastern and mid-western United States research from the colonial period through the present day.

Ms. Wellauer has authored numerous articles in professional journals and papers, lectured extensively throughout the U. S. since 1974, and is in demand for genealogical workshops and seminars.

This year's 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. workshop, at the K-State Union, will include a noon luncheon as part of the registration fee.

Fill out the registration form which is on the enclosed leaflet and return to the Workshop Committee.

Numerous Library Acquisitions

Please note the extensive number of acquisitions which have been acquired since the last list was published in the February issue of Kansas Kin. A total of sixty-nine different books, directories, and tapes have been added to our library. Our Acquisition Chairman, Miriam Fields, is to be commended for fulfilling her job so effectively. We are indebted to our president, Evelyn Brown, for typing this extensive list for publication.

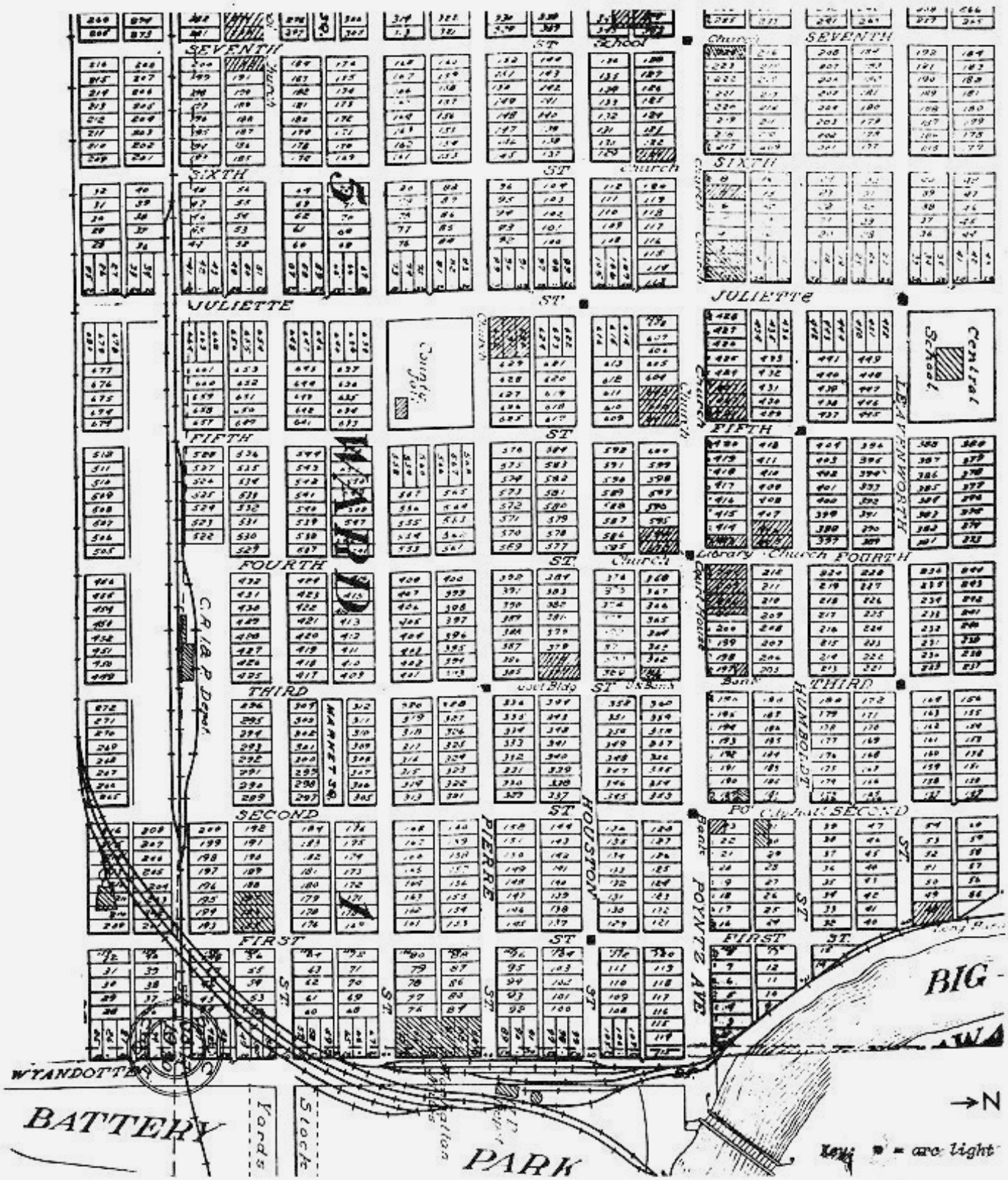
If you have not visited the library recently, you have not availed yourself of many acquisitions which have been purchased during the past year. New research efforts may pay dividends in the discovery of new information.

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October 30, RCGS Regular Meeting, Public Library, Elaine Olney, "Pitfalls of Genealogical Research"

November 8, Board Meeting

November 27, RCGS Regular Meeting, Public Library, Stella Frey, "Colonial Probate Records."



Map showing location of arc lights on the streets in 1890. Note: Street numbering was changed in 1908. See text.

A CENTURY AGO ELECTRIC LIGHTS CAME TO MANHATTAN

One hundred years ago the first efforts were begun to bring electric lights to the city of Manhattan. The company that was formed to accomplish the task was successful. In January 1890 Manhattan citizens had their first electric street lights and a limited number of individuals were able to light their homes with electricity. Information for the article below was obtained from the three newspapers published in Manhattan in 1889-1890. These papers were The Nationalist, the Manhattan Daily Republic, and the Manhattan Mercury.

Planning for the Electric Light System

Almost one hundred years ago the first effort was made to bring electric lights to Manhattan. On 4 October 1889 the Electric Light Company was formed with a temporary Board of Directors to bring arc lights for the streets and electricity for lighting homes. The members of the Board were George S. Green, E. A. Wharton, Charles Garrettson, Col. J. B. Anderson, and George S. Murphey.

On 5 November 1889 the stockholders of the Manhattan Electric Light company met and awarded a contract to the Western Electric Company of Chicago to have arc lights ready for use by December tenth and the incandescents by December 24th. The arc lights were to have 200 candle power. Later the Thompson-Houston Company held the contract.

Officers of the Electric Light company were: George S. Green, President; E. A. Wharton, Vice president; Dr. J. Robinson, Secretary; and George S. Murphey, Treasurer. On the Board of Directors were Green, Wharton, and Murphey, Dr. Little and John B. Anderson. Stockholders in addition to the members of the Board were William Baker, John Elliott, John E. Hessen, Elliott and Garrretson, and S. M. Fox.

On 15 November the City Council met to consider a proposition to light the city by electricity. They proposed eight arc lights of 2000 candle power for $700 per year. At that time the city was paying $600 per year for its kerosene street lamps. The annual fee included breakage of the lamps.

Locations of the Street lights

On 29 November the Council met and located the electric lights as follows: Second and Poyntz, Fourth and Poyntz, Seventh and Poyntz, Leavenworth and Juliette, Leavenworth and Third, First and Houston, Houston and Juliette, and Fifth and Humboldt. The Electric Light Company would maintain a ninth light at the location of the plant at Third and Pierre. The number of places selected by the Council for the lights were limited by the power that could be generated by the proposed plant. The area limits were north by Osage, west by Seventh, south by Colorado, and east by Wyandotte. (See the pre-1908 map on the facing page for the location of the arc lights.)

It is important to remember that in 1908 the street numbering system in Manhattan was changed. The locations of the lights by today's numbering system would be Third, Fifth, and Ninth on Poyntz; Fourth and Pierre; Second and Houston; Fourth and Leavenworth, Sixth and Humboldt; and on Juliette at both Leavenworth and Houston.

As an example of the cost of the new lighting system the Congregational Church signed a contract for electric lighting for one arc light and four incandescent lights, paying $60.00 per year.

Criticism of the Electric Light System

As with all innovative projects there was some dissent about the proposed electric light system. One paper stated, "These lamps will light the heart of the city in good shape, but the outskirts will be in worse conditions than at present, for the city surely cannot afford to keep lamps and electric lights both going. The two would cost a thousand dollars a year."

Since the arc lights were to burn only until midnight, a letter written by an anonymous writer to the Editor of the Daily Republic on 18 November 1889 expressed reservations about the new electric system. "Now everybody knows that the lights we now have burn all night, and are, if anything, more needed after midnight. Are they expected to pay another $700 at the option of the company to have lights from midnight until day break?"

Electric Lights at Last

On 20 December 1889 a paper stated, "...all the appliances for the electric light plant are all on the ground except a portion of the poles. The machinery is being set in place."

The announcement of the first electric lights in Manhattan was made in the Manhattan Daily Republic on 2 January 1890 in this manner: "The electric lights were turned on yesterday evening, Jan 1st 1890, for the first time in Manhattan. It was a grand success. Tonight notice how fine a light Manhattan has."

The Daily Republic printed on 2 January 1890 reported, "The electric light was turned on yesterday evening, Jan 1st, 1890, for the first time in Manhattan. It was a grand success. Tonight notice how fine a light Manhattan has. The Mercury reported, "The Advent of the New Year was heralded last night by the loud and long blowing of the electric light whistle."

Evidently not all of the work was completed by 1 January 1890 for the Daily Republic reported, "The arc lights were started Tuesday (8 January 1890) for the first time, and every candid person will say they are as good as any lights anywhere. They are the best electric lights we have ever

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examined. They are bright and steady and make but little noise. Each arc light has over it a large reflector, a decided improvement over common arc lights."

On 10 January 1890 the lights were in place and the Nationalist enthusiastically reported, "At present Manhattan has plenty of light. The electric lights shine in their beauty every night, and Mr. Adams continues his lamp lighting under contract with the city. An oil lamp doesn't show to advantage under the rays of an arc light." The oil lamps were needed where arc lights were not available. Evidently the City Council was willing to pay for both types of street lighting.

As usual not all Manhattanites agreed that all was well. The Manhattan Mercury on 8 January noted, "We hear the electric lights should be at least fifteen feet higher." It is not known whether or not this complaint was heeded.

First Customers of the Electric Light Company

In the 3 January 1890 issue of The Nationalist, a list of the initial customers of the Electric Light Company was given. A total of 317 lights were installed. Several customers had more than one arc or incandescent light. Although the list in the newspaper was not alphabetized, they have been so listed below. Since the lights were mainly in the business district, an effort was made to determine the business, if any, engaged in by the customers. Genealogists usually like to know the business in which their ancestors were engaged.

Information concerning the business of each was obtained from Pioneers of the Blue Stem Prairie, advertisements in the newspapers of that era, and from Kansas State Census Records for 1885, 1900, and 1895.

Allingham, Robert	Meat Market
Almgren, A	Shoemaker
Allen, John A.	Grocer
*Atchison, J. F.	
Atwood, G. A.	Editor of the Republic
W. A. Brown	Restaurateur
Balderston & Sarber	Meat Market
Baker, Wm.	Retired farmer
Carlton, A. D.	Laborer
City of Manhattan	Street lights
Congregational Church	
Dana, F. L.	Clerk
Dow, H. P.	Insurance, Real Estate
Electric Company	
Elliott & Garretson	Clothing Store
Elliott, W. S.	Cutter (Tailor)
Engle, Carl	Druggist and Mercantile
Fox, S. M.	State Adjutant General
Gates, Wm.	Meat Market
Gilbert & Cottry	Barbers
Gilbert, Rube	Manager, Higenbotham Hotel
Green, G. S.	Lawyer
Green & Hessin	Law Office
Higinbotham, G. W.	Grain Merchant
Higinbotham, G. W.	Name listed twice, probably for his business and home
Hoadley, W. W.	Insurance Agent
Hoop, S. W.	Photographer
Hostrup, P.	Barber shop, Baths, Rooms
I.O.O.F.	Lodge
Johnston, W. C.	Drug Store
Kimble, Sam	Lawyer
K of P	Lodge
King, J. W.	Organs, Pianos, Jewelry
*Korns, M. E.	
Leicester, W. B.	Merchant Tailor
*Lemmon, S.	
Little, Dr.	Physician
Lantz, D. G.	Clerk at Wharton's Store
Murphey, G. S.	Banker
Masons	Lodge
*Norcross & Johnson	
Pacific Express Co.	
Patterson, Edwin	Jewelry
Rhodes Bros.	Butcher Shop
Robinson, Dr.	Physician
Riley County Courthouse	
Shaw, E. K.	Watches
*Smith, John	
Smith and Lofinck	Book Store, Music, Jewelry
Stingley & Huntress	Hardware
Swingle and Varney	Book Store
Taylor Bros.	Druggists
Tegmeier, Chas.	Grocer, General Merchandise
Thompson, J. S. C.	Printer
Union National Bank	
Wharton, E. A.	Merchant, Dry Goods
Whitford, A. J.	Hardware
Zeigler, P. W.	Hardware, Stoves

If any reader can supply additional information concerning any of the occupations of those individuals whose names are starred, the information will be printed in the next issue of Kansas Kin.

Note: In January the Riley County Historical Society will have an exhibit to celebrate the 100th anniversary of electricity in Manhattan.

Improvements in Town
Manhattan Independent, May 5, 1866

We learn with satisfaction that three new buildings, each 25 feet front and 50 feet deep are soon to be built of brick on Poyntz Avenue below second street. The building on the corner is commenced and is owned by G. W. Wisner and W. Woodruff, the next lot is owned by Hiram Kearns, and the third one by Henry Shepp. Mr. M. J. Gove has purchased the lot on the Avenue directly opposite now occupied by Parkinson's saloon, with 23 feet front upon which he is going to erect a fine building.

SPANISH-AMERICAN WAR RECRUITS--RILEY AND MARSHALL COUNTIES

The Nationalist published in Manhattan, 1 May 1898, listed the young men from Riley and Marshall Counties who were among the first, if not the first, to leave from this area to serve in the Spanish-American War. The article printed below tells of the nature of the departure, the names and addresses of the men, and then concludes with short bits of information titled, "Picket Shots!"

OFF TO THE WAR!

Company I and Thirty—five Recruits From Marshall County left for Topeka Tuesday

A Complete and Correct Roster of the Company Given

All day Sunday Major Hank Lindsay and an examining surgeon were examining the members of Company I, K.N.G. (Kansas National Guard), and a few others who were possessed with the desire to serve their country, so that when the train left for Blue Rapids Monday morning 52 young men, brave and strong, got aboard ready to enlist.

On arriving at Blue Rapids the Examination was resumed with the result that 49 of the Manhattan boys were accepted and 35 from Marshall county, making a total of 84 men who were at once sworn in and an election of officers held, with this result: W. B. Leicester, captain; Geo. R. Crawford, first lieutenant; T. H. White, second lieutenant.

Word was received in this city Monday night that the company would come Tuesday noon and the citizens at once began preparations to give them a reception befitting their high calling. The result was that when the Blue Valley train pulled in Tuesday at 12:45 o'clock the whole depot platform and grounds was covered with patriotic men and women, shouting and waving flags. Both G.A.R. Posts and the college cadet band were there, the former to remind the boys what real war was, the latter to cheer and enliven the scene.

A committee of citizens had transformed the baggage room into an eating house where all the enlisted men and the band boys were treated to a first-class dinner.

Presently the 1:25 Union Pacific train hove into sight and the boys began the task of saying goodbye to mothers, wives, children, sweethearts and all climbed into their cars and followed by shout after shout and hurrah after hurrah they were off for Topeka from whence in a few days they will be transferred to Ft. Leavenworth and then on to the war.

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Below is a complete and correct roster of the company. Those names preceded by a star were members of Company I, K.N.G. [Editor's Note: Unless otherwise specified the men were from Manhattan. Note also that all names were not listed in alphabetical order.]

*Allen, Frank S.
Armstrong, Thos. B, Waterville
Adams, Alexander, Irving
*Bell, John A.
Bedford, Homer M., St. George
*Baxter, Edward H.
Brown, William H, Waterville
Blocker, James H., Holmes City
Brenneke, Herman F., Bremen
Barret, Walter, Blue Rapids
*Blain, James W.
*Crawford, Geo. R., 1st Lieut.
*Creviston, Geo. R.
*Cunningham, Almon W.
*Day, F. H., Corp.
*Deihl, Camdon C.
*Deeds, Sam'l C.
*Daines, Andrew J.
*Drake, Wm. F.
*Fitzgerald, Dennis, Corp.
Funk, Chas. C., Waterville
Feil, Geo. P., Herkimer
Feil, Fred J., Herkimer
Fink, Arthur F., Marysville
*Farman, Sprague, Corp.
Goin, Martin L., Beattie
Gillson, Maurice C., Frankfort
*Humphries, Marshall
*Hess, Harvey P.
Helvering, Guy F., Beattie
*Holbert, Elmer
Julian, Dana W., Marysville
*Johnson, Frank
*Kolsky, Anthony
Longbon, Ira B., Waterville
Lane, Bert R., Waterville
*Leicester, W. B., Capt.
*McDowell, Geo. G., Corp.
*Monahan, Geo. W.
*Martin, Marcus M.
*Martin, Geo. E.
*Martin, Walter J.
*McClure, Floyd H., St. George
*Merritt, Arthur R.
Matson, Stephen, Waterville
*McDonald, Chas. K.
*Neilson, Hans P.
Olson, Otto A., Waterville
*Puett, Jas. D.
Puett, William E.
*Peck, Rutherford E.
Powell, Chas. S., Thomas
*Pauley, Jesse A.
*Paige, Chas. M.
Wright, True M., Barnes
Riesen, Godfrey, Marysville
Reed, David LeRoy, Blue Rapids
Streeter, Royal A.
*Schoolcraft, Geo. M.
*Stephens, Carl
Stephenson, Roy J., Waterville
Sumners, John, Waterville
Sikes, Ernest C., Irving
Beecher, Roy K., Barnes
Staples, Lewis H., Blue Rapids
*Samuels, Wilbur R.
Scott, Chas.
Thedick, Geo. G., Waterville
Treaster, Wr. H., Waterville
*Thomas , Leon H.
*VanAntwerp, Ed. W.
VanAllen, Frank, Waterville
VanAllen, Fletcher, Waterville
*Whitford, Case O.
*Woodward, Harry A.
Wilson, Frank M., Beattie
Walbridge, Frank D., Beattie
Welch, Timothy, Waterville
Wilder, Alfred M., Waterville
*White, Thad H., 2nd. Lt.
*Westbrook, Lawrence
*Yenawine, Hervey W.
*Zarger, John J.

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PICKET SHOTS

There are five men in the company six feet and 1 inch high.

Many a silent tear was dropped as the friends bid the boys goodbye and God speed.

Charles Garrettson was in his element dispensing hot coffee and sandwiches to the boys.

Payson Hess is the baby of the company. He is about the size of a healthy 10 year old boy.

A committee of young ladies made the soldier boys happy by presenting them with beautiful buttonhole bouquets.

The city school dismissed for an hour that the scholars might have an opportunity to see a real soldier going to war.

Among those who failed to pass the examination were Ralph McDowell, George Howe, Byron Hunt, Bob Stewart, Jumper, VanOrsdel and Mabry.

As the train pulled out of Manhattan the enthusiastic recruits from Marshall county proposed three cheers for the Manhattan reception, which were heartily given.

Royal Streeter has been tooting his bugle every evening for three weeks and has been rewarded for his faithfulness by being appointed bugler for the company.

The quota assigned to Riley county was 29 and from Marshall county 55. After the examination the number accepted was 53 from Riley county and 30 from Marshall, pretty near a reversal of the assignment.

Capt. Leicester reports the following company appointments: First sargeant, F. M. Wilson, Beattie; quarter master sargeant, F. H. McClure, St. George; Duty Sargeants: Sprague Parman, Hervey Yenawine, Dennis Fitzgerald, F. H.Day, Manhattan. Corporals: George G. McDowell, Case O. Whitford, Jesse Pauley, Manhattan, George Feil, Herkimer; G. T. Helvering, Beattie; H. P. Neilson, George Martin, Ed VanAntwerp, R. E. Peck, Manhattan. Royal A. Streeter, bugler, Manhattan.

The 1900 Federal Census for Riley County was checked to see how many of the Spanish-American War Recruits listed in the newspaper story on the preceding page as being from Manhattan were residing in Riley County two years after the newspaper roster was printed. The following men, and their ages, were on the census:

Frank Allen, 23; John Bell, 23; Geo. A. Crawford, 26; William Drake, 23; Elmer Holbert, 25; William Leicester, 46; Walter Martin, 21 (Ogden); Marcus Martin, 27 (Ogden); Arthur Merritt, 21; Charles M. Paige, 21; also, Wilburn R. Samuels, 22; Royal Streeter, 19; Edward VanAntwerp, 26; Thaddeus White, 39; Hervey W. Yenawine, 23.

Because of change of spelling, ages, or initials only being given, the following names were in doubt: A. J. Dains, 45; Geo. C. McDowell, 21; Charles McDonald, 24.

Sunset Cemetery Burials

Several of the Spanish-American War recruits listed in The Nationalist as being from Manhattan are buried in Sunset Cemetery. Those names preceded by an asterisk have information on their tombstones about their participation. The names and information on their stones or in cemetery records follows:

Frank S. Allen, 1877-1954, (14 March 1954, age 77)
*George Creviston, Co. M, 22 K Inf. Sp. Am. War (6 Febr 1942, 65)
*William T. Drake, Co. M 22 KS Inf. Sp. Am. War (Jan 1929, 51)
Harry P. Hess, 1880-1924 (27 Mar 1924, 44y 1m 8da)
*Elmer Holbert, 21 Oct 1943 Pvt. 22 KS Inf. (22 Oct 1943, Wichita, 68)
*William LeBec Leicester, 1855-1927, Lt. Royal Horse Art., Eng., Cpt. 22 KS Inf, Major Inf N. G. of KS, 1 Sept 1927, 73
Arthur R. Merritt, 1878-1944, 14 Jan 1944
*Charles Martin Paige, 1878-1926, Co. M 22nd KS Inf. 25 June 1926, 48y 7d
Jesse Pauley s/o Milton and Mary, 3 April 1871-19 May 1918, 47
*Wilburn R. Samuels, Co. M 22 KS Inf Sp Am War (Wilbourne R., 29 Febr. 1904, 24)
Charles A. Scott, Father 30 Jan. 1875-17 Nov. 1961, (Charles Anderson, Denver Co, 86)
Edward VanAntwerp, 22 Oct. 1915, 43
Thaddeus White,1862-1909, (Thad H., 30 Jan 1909, 46)

College Hill Item
Manhattan Republic, May 13, 1920

Those from our school who took all or part of the county examination at the high school in Manhattan were Mary Hylton, Vesta Hoke, Vivian Korwood, Everett Whitney, Edward Hartley, Glenn Whitney, Park Hayes, of the eighth grade. Those of the 7th grade who took part of the subjects were Myrtle Hayes, Helen Palmer, Helen Kimball, Elizabeth Hartley, Lois Whitney, Evelyn Drown, and George Siddens.

The College Hill Sunday School was reorganized last Sunday afternoon. The officers elected were Superintendent, Mrs. W. A. Whitney; Assistant superintendent, Mrs. Harlow Hudson; secretary, Virginia Hylton; treasurer, Leah Arnold; Pianist.

(Many of the names listed above will be recognized as past or present members of RCGS. Please identify the ones you know and communicate with the Editor.)

ANCESTOR TABLE FOR ALICE ELAINE GLOTZBACH SOLDAN

661 Zeandale Road, Manhattan, KS 66502

	Birth date, place	Marriage date, place	death date, place
FIRST GENERATION			
1. Alice Elaine Glotzbach	1920 Paxico KS	31 May 1941 Manhattan KS	
SECOND GENERATION			
2. Otto Joseph Glotzbach	1893 Paxico KS	1917 Irving KS	1965 Wamego KS
3. Irma Elizabeth Johnson	1896 Decatur MS		
THIRD GENERATION			
4. Charles Joseph Glotzbach	1851 Lanesville IN	1878 Buffalo co WI	1925 Paxico KS
5. Elizabeth Mary Fischer	1858 Buffalo co WI		1920 Paxico KS
6. Jesse Luke Johnson	1872 Tuscola IL	1893 Decatur MS	1957 Wamego KS
7. Corina Alice (Cora) McMullan	1873 Decatur MS		1953 Wamego KS
FOURTH GENERATION			
8. Adam Joseph Glotzbach	1825 Geismar Saxony Ger	1849 Lanesville IN	1907 Paxico KS
9. Margareth Sendelbach	1833 Karbach Bein Bav Ger		1918 Paxico KS
10. Anton Fischer	1825 Mure Switzerland	1857 Woodstock IL	1903 Paxico KS
11. Elizabeth Frie	1824 Einsiedeln Switzerland		1909 Paxico KS
12. Jesse Dix Johnson	1830 Vigo co IN	1852 Near Middletown IN	1906 Tuscola IL
13. Elizabeth Simmons	1831 Terre Haute Vigo co IN		1917 Wamego KS bu Tuscola
14. Jesse Pemberton McMullan	1848 Decatur MS	1870	1924 Decatur MS
15. Emma Elizabeth Hailey	1854 Elbert co GA		1913 Decatur MS
16. Valentine Glotzbach	1800 Arzell, Saxony Germany		1883 Lanesville IN
17. Catherine Marie Walderen	1795 Germany		1839
FIFTH GENERATION			
18. George Sendelbach	1842	?	?
19. Katherine Hartman	?	?	?
24. Robert Johnson	1806	1827	1885 Tuscola IL
25. Anna (Ann) Dix	1807 Guilford co NC		1871 Tuscola IL
26. Mitchell (Michel) Simmons	1784 NC	1815	1858 Prairieton IN
27. Aetna (Etna) Creekmon	1801 NC		1872 Prairieton IN
28. Thomas Jefferson McMullan	1813 Elbert co GA	1845	1885 Newton co KS
29. Rachel Reynolds	1825		1912 Decatur MS
30. William Rayborn Hailey	1819 Hart co GA	1839	1890 Newton co MS
31. Sarah Anne Gaines	1825 GA		1890 Newton co MS
SIXTH GENERATION			
32. Johan George Glotzbach	1778 Arzell, Saxony Germany		1850 Arzell, Saxony Germany
48. Daniel Johnson	1776	?	?
49. Isabell Dilley	1785 PA		1851 Middletown cem.
50. Joshua Dix	1758, New Garden NC	1783 Guilford co NC	1834 Vigo co In Earlham cem.
51. Elizabeth Baldwin	1766		1843 bu. Old Pleasant cem.
52. Willis Simons	?	?	?
53. Jane Simmons	?		?
54. Moses Creekmon	?	?	?
55. Sarah ---	?		?
56. Patrick M McMullan	1772 Orange co VA	1792	1836 Elbert co GA
57. Sarah Walker	VA		1818
58. Thomas J. Reynolds	?	?	?
59. Nancy Oyler	?		?
60. Ruben Hailey	1792	1810	1869 GA
61. Sarah Vernon Ward	1792	1810	1868
SEVENTH GENERATION			
64. Paulus Glotzbach	1746 Arzell, Saxony Ger.	1775 Arzell	1806 Arzell, Saxony Germany
65. Ann Margaretha Hohmann	1749 Rossach Germany		1813 Arzell, Saxony Germany
100. Nathan Dich(Dicks) Jr.	1727 Chester co PA	1756	1765 New Garden MM NC
101. Mary Ballinger	?		1790
102. William Baldwin	?	?	1802 Guilford co NC
103. Elizabeth ---	?		1773 New Garden MM NC
112. John McMullan	1740 Dublin or Tralee Ireland	?	1817 Hartwell GA
113. Theodosia Beasley	?		?
114. Thomas Walker	?	?	?
115. Mary Smith	?		?
120. William Hailey	1748 Culpepper co. VA	1779	1830 GA
121. Mary Turman	1757		1838
122. William Ward	1760	1790	1856
123. Sarah Vernon	1765	1780	1840
128. Johann George Glotzbach	1718 Arzell, Saxony Ger.	1739 Arzell	1774 Arzell, Saxony Germany
129. Anna Katharina Dieffenbach	1718 Arzell		

Additional information is available for: 200 Nathan Dix (Dicks) Sr.; 204 John Baldwin; 205 Ann Baldwin; 224 Patrick Joseph McMullan; 225 Mary Sinclair; 240 James Hailey; 241, Ann Eleanor Cloud; 256 Konrad Glotzbach; 257 Anna Margaretha --; 400 Peter Dix (Dicks); 401 Esther Dix (Dicks).

IMMIGRANTS FROM GOTLAND, SWEDEN TO DICKINSON COUNTY, KANSAS, PARTS I AND II

We are indebted to RCGS member Tom Branigar, Abilene, Kansas, for sharing his extensive research on the Swedish immigrants who settled in Dickinson, County, Kansas. The additional parts will be in the next issue of Kansas Kin.

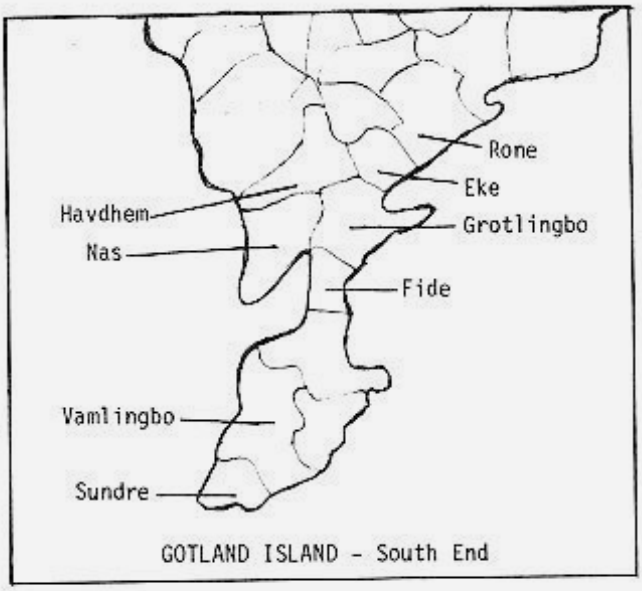
An interesting aspect of European immigration is the phenomena known as "chain migration." This occurs when an immigrant settles in the US but keeps in touch with his friends and relatives in his home town in Europe. This contact encourages others from the town to settle near the first immigrant. The process continues and after a few years a large group of people from one town in Europe are settled close together at one place in the US.

Several examples of chain migrations can be documented among the Swedish immigrants who settled east of Enterprise in Center twp, Dickinson co, KS. The largest group came from Jarbo parish in Gavleborg. Another group came from Hallestad and Risinge parishes in Ostergotland. A third came from Navelsjo, Sandsjo and Vetlanda parishes in Jonkoping. A fourth came from Gotland Island. Not all of the Swedish immigrants belonged to these groups, however, and various isolated families and individuals have been traced to other Swedish counties including Kalmar, Kristianstad, Orebro and Sodermanland.

The Gotland group is one of the most interesting from a religious point of view. In the 1870s, when the mainland Swedes banded together to organize a Lutheran church based on the state religion of Sweden, a sizeable faction, led by the Gotlanders, remained independent and decided to form their own congregation. They acquired some land a mile south of the Lutheran church and there erected the Swedish Mission church, later known as the Pleasant Hill church. Both congregations fell victim to declining memberships in the 20th century and were eventually discontinued. The Lutheran church was torn down in the late 1970s but the Pleasant Hill church is still standing in the southeast corner of section 27, Center twp. It is surrounded by the Pleasant Hill cemetery where most of the Gotland immigrants are buried.

Gotland is an island in the Baltic Sea off the southeast coast of Sweden. It has an area of 1225 square miles and a population, in the 1960s, of about 54,000. Due to its relatively small size and insular nature it seemed likely that most of the families could be located on the island with very little effort. During a recent visit to the Family History Library in Salt Lake City the parish registers of Gotland were examined for information on the background of the immigrants. All the families were found to have originated in a small group of parishes clustered around the southern tip of the island.

This article is an attempt to sort out the various Gotland immigrants, to indicate their relationships, and to trace for at least one generation their ancestors in Sweden and their descendants in Kansas. The information is based on the parish records at the Family History Library, and on the holdings of the Dickinson County Historical Society in Abilene, KS.



GOTLAND ISLAND - South End

Part I: Clauson-Larson-Peterson

The Clauson and Larson families were traced to Lingvede farm in Havdhem parish. They were descended from Gertrud Pehrsdotter who married 2 brothers, Pehr and Clas Pehrsson. Three of Clas's children, Jacob, Elisabeth & Anna settled in Dickinson co and took the surname Clauson, an anglicised form of their patronymic. An older half-sis, Catharina Pehrsdotter, remained in Sweden, but had 4 ch, Christina, Herman, Edward & Oscar Larson who later went to the US to live with their 2 aunts. Carl Peterson was from Nas parish but married 2 members of the family: first to Elisabeth Clauson and secondly, after her death, to her niece Christina Larson.

1. Pehr Pehrsson, b 23 Dec 1778; m 1806 to Christina Classdotter who was b 8 Aug 1782 in Havdhem parish. They lived at Lingvede in Havdhem where their 3 ch were born. Christina d 7 Aug 1845 and Pehr d 16 May 1847.

Children of Pehr Pehrsson & Christina Classdotter:

2 i. Pehr, b 12 Sept 1807
2 ii. Clas, b 27 May 1815
iii. Greta Stina, b 11 Aug 1817

2. Gertrud Catharina Pehrsdotter b 18 Oct 1804 in Eke parish, dau of Pehr Olsson & Catharina Matthiusdotter. She m Pehr Pehrsson and settled at Lingvede where their 2 ch were born. Pehr d 29 Dec 1833, age 26y. On 13 Jan 1837 Gertrud m2 to her first husband's bro, Clas Pehrsson. They remained at Lingvede and had 5 ch.

Children of Pehr Pehrsson & Gertrud Pehrsdotter:

3 i. Catharina Christina Pehrsdotter, b 20 Mar 1830
ii. Pehr (or Petter) Olof Pehrsson, b 2 Jan 1833

Children of Clas Pehrsson & Gertrud Pehrsdotter:
iii. Clas Petter Classon, b 22 Oct 1836; d 21 Nov 1839
iv. Carl Henrik Classon, b 5 June 1839; d 28 May 1849
4 v. Jacob Nicklas Classon, b 30 Jan 1841
5 vi. Elisabeth Gertrud Classdotter, b 21 May 1845
vii. Anna Olivia Jacobina Classdotter, b 12 Dec 1847; moved to the US and settled near Enterprise, KS; m1 Peter Pearson; m2 Thomas Thompson; d 10 July 1935 near Enterprise; for further information see Part II on the Pearson family.

3. Catharina Christina Pehrsdotter b 20 Mar 1830 at Lingvede, Havdhem, where she grew up; m 13 Oct 1860 in Havdhem parish to Lars Laurin, a resident of Rofinds in Vamlingbo parish. Lars was b 8 Nov 1826 in Vamlingbo parish, son of Lars Zachrisson. He had been previously married to Lena Elisabeth Albrechtsdotter (1830-1856) by whom he had a son Lars (b 1854). Lars & Catharina settled at Rofinds in Vamlingbo where their 6 ch were born.
Children of Lars Laurin & Catharina Pehrsdotter:
5 i. Gertrud Christina Elisabeth Larsdotter, b 14 Dec 1860
6 ii. Herman Ludwig Larson, b 15 Mar 1863
6 iii. Pehr Edward Larson, b 18 Mar 1865
iv. Jakob Nicklas Theodor Larson, b 9 Nov 1866; d 22 Nov 1879
6 v. Oscar Esaias Larson, b 6 July 1869
vi. Karl Laurentius Larson, b 30 Mar 1873; remained in Sweden and was living in 1949 when he was listed in the obituary of his sister Christina.

4. Jacob Nicklas Clauson, b 30 Jan 1841 at Lingvede, Havdhem; immigrated to the US about 1870 and settled near Enterprise, KS. At the time of the 1880 census he was living, unmarried, with his bro-in-law Carl W. Peterson. No further information.

5. Carl Walfred Peterson, b 14 Oct 1845 at Rangsarfve in Nas parish, the son of Marten Petterson & Anna Catharina Pehrsdotter. His mother d 28 July 1862 and the following year Carl moved to Havdhem parish where he trained as a shoemaker. He also met the Clauson family and became engaged to Elisabeth Gertrud Classdotter. In 1869 Carl immigrated to the US and settled in Seneca co, NY. Elisabeth followed him a few mos later and they were m 1 Jan 1870 in NY. In 1871 they moved to KS and settled E of Enterprise where their 3 ch were born. Elisabeth d 8 Aug 1887, the victim of a typhoid epidemic which also claimed the lives of her 3 nephews. She was bur in the Pleasant Hill cem. On 18 Nov 1893 Carl m2 to Christina Larson, a niece of his first wife who had come to the US in 1884 from Vamlingbo parish. They had 2 ch. In 1931 they mov to Junction City, Geary co, KS. Carl d 13 Nov 1933 (obituary in Abilene Weekly Reflector 16 Nov 1933) and Christina d 10 Mar 1949 (obituary in Abilene Reflector-Chronicle 16 Mar 1949). Both are bur in the Pleasant Hill cem. Carl was one of the leaders of the Swedish community in Center twp. He helped organize the Swedish Mission church, served on the local school board for 51 years, and was also a co commissioner for several terms. About 1929 he wrote a lengthy autobiography, a copy of which is in the Dickinson Co Historical Society. This was a big help in working out the complicated relationships between the Pearson-Clauson-Larson-Peterson families.
Children of Carl Peterson & Elisabeth Clauson:
i. Harry, b Sept 1872; moved to CA where he served as superintendent of schools at Pasadena; d 10 Jan 1936 at Pasadena (death notice in Enterprise Journal 16 Jan 1936); he was married and had 2 sons.
7 ii. Jennie E., b 23 July 1875
iii. Victor E., b Sept 1884; left Enterprise in 1911 and eventually settled at Alexandria, VA, where he spent many years in government service; d 15 Jan 1964 at Alexandria (death notice in Enterprise Journal 16 Jan 1964); he was married and had 2 sons.
Children of Carl Peterson & Christina Larson:
iv. Leona Christina, b 13 Sept 1896; settled at Junction City, KS, where she taught school for many yrs; was living at Junction City in 1967; unmarried.
v. Arthur Edward, b 8 May 1901 near Enterprise and lived all his life in the area; m 14 Feb 1927 to Grace E. Picking, who was b 2 May 1909 near Buckeye, Dickinson co, dau of George & Elva Picking. Arthur & Grace had 5 daus. Arthur d 13 Oct 1967 and was bur in the Pleasant Hill cem (obituary in Abilene Reflector-Chronicle 25 Oct 1967).

6. The 3 Larson bros, Herman, Edward and Oscar were all b at Rofinds, Vamlingbo parish. They immigrated to the US in the mid-1880s and went to live with their 2 aunts, Elisabeth Peterson and Anna Pearson, near Enterprise, KS. All 3 bros died during a typhoid epidemic in the summer of 1887. Edward d 6 Aug, Herman d 7 Aug and Oscar d 12 Aug. They are all bur at the Pleasant Hill cem. None of the bros married.

7. Jennie E. Peterson, b 23 July 1875 near Enterprise; m 17 June 1903 at her parents home to Edward Joseph Muenzenmayer and settled near Lyona, Liberty twp, where they spent their entire married life. Edward was b 4 Feb 1877 in Wyandotte co, KS, the son of J.J. Muenzenmayer and Louisa Wilhelmina Dehner, and mov to the Lyona area in 1881. Edward & Jennie had 2 ch. Edward d 28 Oct 1940 at Lyona (obituary Abilene Daily Chronicle 5 Nov 1940). After his death Jennie mov to Junction City where she d 12 Nov 1944 (obituary in Enterprise Journal 16 & 23 Nov 1944). Both are bur in the Lyona cem.
Children of Edward Muenzenmayer & Jennie Peterson:
i. Karl, b 15 May 1906 near Lyona; lived most of his life in Junction City; d 5 Aug 1984 and was bur in Lyona cem; m Mabel E. Conner and had 3 sons (obituary Abilene Reflector-Chronicle 7 Aug 1984)
ii. Bernice Louise, b 25 Jan 1911 near Lyona; lived most of her life in Junction City; d 24 May 1988 and was bur Highland cem at Junction City; m Ralph C. Murphy and had 2 sons (obituary Abilene Reflector-Chronicle 25 May 1988)

Part II: Pearson

This family was traced to Majstre farm in Sundre parish. Two bros, Martin & Peter Pearson settled near Enterprise about 1870. A sister, Mrs Marie

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Peterson, immigrated several yrs later after the death of her husband. They were first cousins of the Ronstrom family through their father (see Part III) and first cousins of the Hanson family through their mother (see Part IV).

1. Marten Persson, b 2 Nov 1768; m 10 Nov 1796 to Helena Nilsdotter who was b 16 Jan 1775. They lived at Majstre in Sundre parish where their 8 ch were born. Marten d 9 Apr 1822 and Helena d 9 May 1839.
Children of Marten Persson & Helena Nilsdotter:
2 i. Per, b 5 Oct 1797
ii. Nils, b 20 Feb 1801
iii. Marten, b 15 Nov 1804
iv. Catharina, b 20 Sept 1807
v. Brita Magdalena, b 7 Feb 1810; m Batel Goransson and settled at Rovalls in Grotlingbo parish; she was ancestor of the Ronstrom family (see Part III)
vi. Thomas, b 27 Nov 1812
vii. Lars, b 12 May 1815; d 30 May 1815
viii. Lars, b 9 July 1816

2. Per Martenson, b 5 Oct 1797 at Majstre, Sundre, where he lived all his life. He m 6 Nov 1823 in Sundre parish to Anna Lena Maldesdotter. She was b 15 Dec 1801 at Antarfve, Havdhem parish, dau of Malde Larsson and Maria Larsdotter, who were also ancestors of the Hanson family (see Part IV). Per d 10 May 1839 and Anna d 5 Aug 1842. They had 4 ch.
Children of Per Martenson & Anna Maldesdotter:
3 i. Brita Maria, b 24 Aug 1825
4 ii. Marten Niclas, b 25 Jan 1832
iii. Malde Larson, b 14 Nov 1833
5 iv. Peter, b 4 Jan 1839

3. Brita Maria Persdotter, b 24 Aug 1825 at Majstre, Sundre; m 6 Nov 1840 in Sundre parish to Hans Pehrsson. He was b 10 Apr 1813 in Sundre parish, the son of Pehr Johansson and Anna Cathrina Pehrsdotter. Maria and Hans lived at Majstre where their 3 ch were born. Hans d 5 July 1874. In 1884 Maria immigrated to the US and went to live with her bro Martin Pearson near Enterprise. The anglicised form of her name was Maria Peterson. She d during a typhoid epidemic in the summer of 1887 and was bur in the Pleasant Hill cem.
Children of Hans Pehrsson & Brita Maria Persdotter:
i. Anna Maria, b 19 May 1843; m 1 Nov 1873 to Kristian Kristiansson and stayed at Majstre
ii. Johan Peter, b 6 Sept 1845
6 iii. Catharina Lorentina, b 20 Jan 1862

4. Martin Pearson b 25 Jan 1832 at Majstre, Sundre, the Swedish form of his name being Marten Persson. In 1846 he mov to Havdhem parish where he m 19 July 1853 to Johanna Maria Hansdotter. She was b 23 June 1832 at Stora Westergard in Fide parish, the dau of Hans Goransson. Martin & Johanna lived briefly in Fide parish where their oldest dau was born, and then returned to Majstre, Sundre, where their next 3 ch were born. In 1868 the family immigrated to the US. After living briefly in NY they mov to KS in late 1869 or early 1870 and settled E of Enterprise where their youngest dau was born. Martin was a charter member of the Swedish Mission church and was one of the first of the Gotland group to settle in Center twp. Many of the other Gotland families moved to the area because they had known Martin in Sweden. An article on the Martin Pearson family by the Enterprise historian Ellen Peterson appeared in the Enterprise Journal on 19 Aug 1937. Johanna d 1 Oct 1909 and Martin d 9 Aug 1911 (obituaries in Enterprise Journal 7 Oct 1909 and 10 Aug 1911). Both are bur in the Pleasant Hill cem.
Children of Martin Pearson & Johanna Hansdotter:
i. Anna Mathilda Elisabeth, b 20 Sept 1853; lived near Enterprise, KS; m Charles J. Hanson who was her 1st cousin once removed; d 10 Nov 1934 near Enterprise; for further info see Part IV on the Hanson family.
ii. Hans Petter, b 12 Dec 1855; d 11 June 1864
iii. Maria Christina, b 16 Dec 1857; lived near Enterprise, KS; m John Butler Sedergreen; d 26 Jan 1902; for further info see Part III on the Ronstrom-Sedergreen families.
7 iv. Cathrine Wilhelmina, b 14 Oct 1861
8 v. Melinda, b Jan 1873

5. Peter Pearson b 4 Jan 1839 at Majstre, Sundre; immigrated to the US, 1869; after living briefly in NY he mov to KS and settled near Enterprise where his bro Martin was living, late 1870. He m 4 Dec 1875 at his bro's home to Anna Clauson. She was b 12 Dec 1847 at Lingvede, Havdhem, and immigrated to the US in the early 1870s. For info on her ancestors see Part I on the Clauson family. Peter & Anna lived near Enterprise where their 3 ch were born. Peter d 8 Feb 1884 and was bur in the Pleasant Hill cem. Anna m2 on 30 Jan 1893 to Thomas P. Thompson, who was b 7 Oct 1857 in Sweden and immigrated to the US in 1886. They had no ch. Thomas d 8 Oct 1921 and Anna d 10 July 1935. Both are bur in the Pleasant Hill cem. (obits in Enterprise Journal 13 Oct 1921 and 18 July 1935).
Children of Peter Pearson & Anna Clauson:
9 i. Clarence P., b 19 Apr 1876
10 ii. Elmer Louis, b 27 Sept 1878
11 iii. Anna A., b 25 Aug 1882

6. Catharina Lorentina Hansdotter b 20 Jan 1862 at Majstre, Sundre; immigrated to the US in 1883 after her father's death to live with her relatives near Enterprise. The anglicised form of her name was Katie Hanson. She m 3 Feb 1888 in Dickinson co to John Hanson. He was b 25 Mar 1862 in Gotland. According to his obit (Abilene Reflector-Chronicle 10 Apr 1952) his father d when he was a young boy and John was raised by relatives. He came to the US in 1882 to live with his uncle & aunt, Martin & Johanna Pearson, near Enterprise. It is unlikely that John was directly related to Martin Pearson as this would make him a close blood relative of his wife Katie and there is no place in the Pearson family where he would fit. He was probably a nephew of Johanna (Hansdotter) Pearson who was from Fide parish. More research is needed to confirm this. After their marriage John & Katie lived near Abilene for 10y and then settled at Enterprise in 1898 where they lived the rest of their lives. Katie d 6 Apr 1940 (obit Enterprise Journal 11 Apr 1940) and John d 4 Apr 1952. Both are bur in Pleasant Hill cem.
Child of John Hanson & Katie Hanson:
i. George A., b 9 Dec 1894; lived all his life around Abilene & Enterprise; d 2 Dec 1983 at Abilene; bur Abilene cem; m 9 Apr 1925 to Lillie Blom and had 2 ch (obit Abilene Reflector-Chronicle, 5 Dec 1983)

7. Cathrine Wilhelmina "Minnie" Pearson b 14 Oct 1861 at Majstre, Sundre; immigrated to the US 1868 and settled near Enterprise about 1870. She never married and spent most of her life caring for her parents and sisters. She mov to Seattle, WA, about 1935 to live with her sis Millie Ostberg. Minnie d 8 Mar 1940 at Seattle and was bur there (obit in Enterprise Journal, 14 Mar 1940)

8. Melinda "Millie" Pearson, b Jan 1873 near Enterprise; m 3 Sept 1897 to John Ostberg who was b July 1872 in Iowa. They were living at Enterprise at the time of the 1900 census, but later mov to Seattle, WA, about 1913. Millie d July 1943 in Seattle (death notice in Enterprise Journal 22 July 1943)
Children of John Ostberg & Millie Pearson:
i. Ruth M., b July 1898
ii. Laura H., b Nov 1899
iii. Florence
iv. Everett
v. Emmett

9. Clarence P. Pearson, b 19 Apr 1876 near Enterprise; m 4 Apr 1904 to Nellie Calene. She was b about 1875 near Enterprise, the dau of Peter E. Calene & Karin Peterson. Nellie was a 1st cousin once removed of Alice & Pearl Calene who m Elmer Pearson, Clarence's bro. Clarence & Nellie lived many yrs in CO where he taught school. After he retired they mov to Redlands, CA, and then to Houston, TX. Nellie d about 1964 and Clarence d 15 Mar 1965 (obit in Enterprise Journal 20 May 1965)
Children of Clarence Pearson & Nellie Calene:
i. Sylvia, m _____ McCallum; living in Houston, TX, in 1965
ii. Verna, living in New York City, 1965
iii. Velma, twin to Verna, living in New York City, 1965

10. Elmer Louis Pearson, b 27 Sept 1878 near Enterprise and lived in the area all his life; m1 8 Apr 1908 to Alice Calene. She was b 13 Apr 1878 near Enterprise, dau of Erick Calene & Bertha Molander, and d 9 July 1920; bur Pleasant Hill cem (obit in Enterprise Journal 15 July 1920). Elmer m2 15 Apr 1924 to Pearl Mabel Calene. She was b 24 Jan 1887 near Enterprise, dau of Peter L. Calene & Carrie Erickson, and was a 1st cousin of Elmer's first wife Alice. Elmer d 26 Apr 1963 (obit Enterprise Journal 2 May 1963) and Pearl d 27 Apr 1980 (obit Abilene Reflector-Chronicle 1 May 1980). Both are bur in the Pleasant Hill cem. Elmer had no ch.

11. Anna A. Pearson b 25 Aug 1882 near Enterprise; m 28 Nov 1906 to Albert E. Anderson. He was b 2 Nov 1879 near Enterprise, son of Andrew & Martha Anderson. Albert & Anna lived near Enterprise all their married life. Albert d 20 Feb 1957 (obit Enterprise Journal 7 Mar 1957). After his death Anna mov to Salina, KS, where she d 21 Mar 1980, aged 97y (obit Abilene Reflector-Chronicle Mar 1980); both are bur in Pleasant Hill cem.
Children of Albert Anderson & Anna Pearson:
i. Mildred, living in Salina, KS, 1957 & 1980; unmarried
ii. Hazel, m Harry Glover; living at Marysville, MO, 1957, and Chillicothe, MO, 1980; had 2 ch.
iii. Howard E., living at Rockford, IL, 1957, and San Leandro, CA, 1980

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A Wabaunsee County Pioneer's Letter

A letter written by Sarah Jane Haines Dorman of Wabaunsee County to her daughter Clara in Rhinecliff, NY, names other residents of that county. The letter was postmarked 12 October 1896. We are indebted to Marian Fudd, a member of RCGS in Norfolk, VA for the letter. Clara was the grandmother of Marian Fudd.

Sarah Jane Haines Dorman was born 20 September 1844 in Fayette, OH, the daughter of Nathan and Sarah Edsard Haines. The Haines were Quakers in NJ in the 1700's. Sarah Jane was married to John Wesley Dorman, A Civil War veteran, 54th OH Infantry. Sarah Jane was survived by her husband, three sons, five daughters, and at least one sister, Eliza.

"Dear Clara

"We rec'd your card was glad to hear from you but was sorry you had to give up your place, but I thought when you first wrote how hard it was that it would be too hard on you. Hope you will get another place soon. Did they pay you anything?

"We had a letter from Fannie. They were well. Haven't had any from Jim. Ed Enlou came home. He seen Jim. Said he was getting very tired of the place. He was going to Iowa to get some cattle.

"Have not seen Mrs. Cottrell since she came home. The girls were up there to a Social last week. Grace went to church today. The rest were all too lazy.

"I'm gettin better. Am getting stronger all the time. We are going to can grapes this week.

"What was M Miller in such haste about? Mrs. Benedict is sick but is a little better. Mr. and Mrs. Richards got home a few days ago.

"I've not been anywhere since you went away. Only Grace and I went to Goffs one afternoon had watermelon and ice cream.

"We are talking about renting Ida McCormick's place. Don't know yet if we will get it.

"The girls went to Wabaunsee yesterday to see the Wabaunsee and Manhattan boys play baseball.

"You may call that blot a kiss. I shall have to stop for want of something to write. Hope to hear from you soon.

Yours with love,
Mother"

(Swedish Immigrants Contd.)

iv. Warren E., living at Kansas City, MO, 1957 and 1980
v. Andrew Willard, b 21 Jan 1916; d 11 Aug 1921; bur Pleasant Hill cem (obit Enterprise Journal 18 Aug 1921)

MC CORMICK FAMILY BIBLE RECORD

The following information is taken from "The Devotional and Practical Polyglott Family Bible" Published by the National Publishing Co., Cincinnati, Ohio & Jones, Junin & Co., Chicago, Ill., 1870. The Bible is in the possession of D. Z. McCormick, 2121 Meadowlark Hills, Manhattan, Kansas 66502.

John M. McCormick & C. W. McCormick came to what is now the town of Zeandale, Riley County, Kansas in 1854. John owned land where Harold Seymour now lives and C. W. owned the land of the present town of Zeandale. He gave land for the Zeandale school which was established in 1865.

MARRIAGES

John McCormick was married to Mary Z. Gillespie Aug. 14th 1856
Wally McCormick was Married to Minnie Coffe Dec. 16 - 1878
Geo. W. McCormick was Married to Ella Vincient Sep. 30th - 1880
Cavit McCormick was Married to Julie Wagner Jan 13, 1884
Zollie M. McCormick was married to Hattie McClellan Nov. 28, 1887
Alvin McCormick was married to Nellie E. Vail Nov. 12, 1890
Kate McCormick was married to Will G. Strasser Jan. 17, 1894

BIRTHS

Thomas Levi McCormick was borne Sep 15th 1857
Henry Walstine McCormick was borne Oct 20 1858
Geo Washington was borne April 1st 1860
Cavit H. McCormick was borne Jan 13, 1862
Mary Kate McCormick was borne July 26 1864
Zollie M. McCormick was borne Feb. 5 1866
Alvia McCormick was borne Feb 15 1868

DEATHS

Levi McCormick Died April 23, 1876
John McCormick Died December the 10 1900
Mary J. McCormick Died June 28' 1913
(Zollie M. McCormick died) Nov. 27, 1930 at Los Angeles, Calif.

BIRTHS

G. W. Gillespie was borne Jan 5th 1805
Malinda Jones was borne Jan 20th 1811

DEATHS

Malind Gillaspie Died May 2nd 1876
Armudia Brooks Died Oct 28, 1872
G. W. Gillespie died November 5 1892 age 87

A piece of lined stationery stuck in the Bible contained the following hand-written information:

FAMILY RECORD

Levi McCormick, son of James and Jemina McCormick born Nov. 22, 1792
Phebe McCormick daughter of Thomas and Martha Stewart born May 4, 1792
Eleanor A daughter of Levi & Phebe born Mar. 29, 1815
Martha S. daughter of Levi & Phebe born Aug 18, 1816
James W. McCormick son of Levi & Phebe May 14, 1818
Eliza Ann McCormick, Daughter of Levi and Phebe was born July 7, 1820.
Henry Walstine McCormick son of Levi and Phebe was born Nov. 7, 1822.
John Marshal McCormick son of Levi and Phebe was born Oct. 20, 1826.
Mary Jane McCormick, daughter of Levi and Phebe was born Aug. 28, 1828.
Joseph Ewing McCormick son of Levi and Phebe was born March 29, 1830.
Armstead Thompson Mason McCormick, son of Levi and Phebe was born Aug. 18, 1832.
Amanda Frances McCormick daughter of Levi and Phebe was born Nov. 23, 1835.
Infant son of Levi and Phebe McCormick born Jan. 3, 1825, departed this life April 25, 1825.
Levi McCormick departed this life Nov. 14, 1868, aged 76 years, eleven months, and twenty two days.
Phebe McCormick departed this life Oct. 26, 1874 aged 82 years, five months and twenty two days.
Levi McCormick and Phebe his wife was married Feb. 4, 1814
Joseph E. McCormick and Sarah M. Kowns was married Jan. 17, 1870.
(Copied just as it was put down in the bible by Grand-Father.)

Another piece of lined stationery contained this:

May the 28th 1876
Nancy McCormick was born the 31st day of July and died June the 2, 1853.
Albion McCormick her son was born July the 7th 1851 & died February the 1852
Geo D McCormick his brother 1853 was born March the 9th & died the same year June 29

CLIPPINGS

MARRIED

Robinson-Gillespie—At the residence of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Gillespie on Wednesday July 17, 1889, by Rev. Warren, Mr. Chas M. Robinson, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Robinson and Miss Milda Gillespie, daughter of Wm. H. Gillespie. Both the bride and groom are well known in Aspen. Mr Robinson is a rising young attorney of the city and his bride has been a popular member of the city's social circles. The happy couple left on the Midland for a wedding tour.

Mrs. Bellamy Dead,

Mrs. Leonore Bellamy died Wednesday morning in this city after suffering with bowel complaint. She was ninety years of age and the consequent weakness was probably a cause in her demise. Funeral services were conducted at the house by Rev. B. F. Parlette of the M. E. Church and the remains were buried in the Protestant Cemetery. Three children, Sam'l Bellamy, Mrs. Wm. Stewart of Manhattan, John Bellamy, and two brothers, A. T. and Joseph McCormick of Zeandale, remain to mourn her loss.

UNCLE JOE IS ANXIOUS TO KNOW

WHY IT IS THAT BUZZARDS ROOST ON THE CITY HALL TOWER.

Uncle Joe McCormick, with the beard of a Hebrew prophet and trousers of extreme oriental wideness is somewhat exercised today. Uncle Joe goes in for tokens and signs and also comes out strong on wonders. He yesterday observed two buzzards on the tower of the city hall and wants to know what it means. "These things never happened in democratic days and its high time these fellows were put out. When things get so rotten that buzzards light down on the buildings we ought to have a change."

It is needless to say that Uncle Joe is a democrat. Many years ago he voted for a republican constable and he didn't get over it for months.



Church Records

FIRST SWEDISH METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, CLAY COUNTY, KANSAS

The Pleasant Hill Swedish Methodist Episcopal church was located six miles directly north of Clay Center in Clay County, Kansas. The following history of this church is a translation of the original church records which were written in Swedish by P. J. Berg and translated by Orcena Michelson Jury of Clifton, Kansas in the summer of 1988. The Michelson family were members of the church as early as 1881.

"In the year 1870 many of our fellow countrymen immigrated here to Clay County, Kansas in order to procure themselves an earthly home, the most coming from Bishop Hill, Illinois. Many of them were poor and didn't have anything to build with. But our trust we have in the Lord. The most had been converted to God among the Methodists and had belonged to that church at other places. The yearning for God's worship and the fellowship with brothers and sisters was great; but this was soon remedied. Brothers J. Engstrom, George Erickson, and A. Prints began religious meetings here and there in small dwelling houses and dugouts. The first communion and Julotta (early Christmas morning service) was celebrated in George Erickson's basement.

"In the winter of 1871 came brother N. Peterson from Chicago as presiding elder and he preached God's word for the new immigrants here and so they organized the Swedish Methodist congregation of twenty-seven members. The first trustee board was elected Aug. 3, 1872 consisting of five: Jonas Johnson, Olaf Englund, George Erickson, Andrew Prints, and Jonas Alleson.

"Brother J. Engstrom became the first preacher for this little group of the Lord's flock out in the wilderness. He led this congregation for four years and during these years he preached at several places around here and organized a good congregation in Randolph, Riley County, Kansas.

"In 1872 a little school house (Dist. 38) was built on N. Swanburg's land, twenty feet long and sixteen wide. This house was immediately used as a church. In 1874 they added one more building to the length--fifteen feet. In this way, it's been used up to now; but once again it is too small, and we must extend our room.

"After Brother Engstrom, came C. N. Wennersten, and he stayed two years. Next came brother J. B. Anderson, and he stayed also two years. Under his term was built a small congregation in Seapo (Seapo was a large Methodist church north of Concordia, Kansas) and in Scandia, Republic County, Kansas--also building a parsonage here. His successor was P. J. Berg who now has led our congregation for three years.

"The congregation consists of seventy-four members in full membership and twenty-five on trial. The present trustee board consists of George Erickson, A. Brodin, D. Danielson, A. Prints, and M. Groberg. These same men were also the building committee together with P. J. Berg. N. Swanberg and D. Danielson served as building superintendents. 'Hither to hath the Lord helped us. 1 Sam. 7:12.'"

On Nov. 30, 1876, the church bought five acres of land in the S. E. corner of 6-7-3 from Andrew G. Ostlund for $30. This was across the road north from the school house. In 1877 members built a parsonage there and "...on Oct. 1, 1880 the cornerstone for the church was laid."

Again from the Swedish history we read, "July 31, 1881--The dedication of the existing Swedish Methodist church by John A. Gabrielson, P. A. The church is 34 x 48 x 14 ft high and seats 300 people. The total cost was $2131 and to date $1089 has been paid off. The debt is $1039. Subscription taken to meet the debt was $896 leaving a balance of $143 owed on the church and $74 on the parsonage making a total of $217. This sum in cash and other income during the day amounted to $150 more than needed."

Church membership at Pleasant Hill was greatest in the years 1904-1906 when records show one hundred four full members and six probationers. The last recorded baptisms were those of Wilburn, LeRoy, and Margurite Nelson on Aug. 17, 1919.

No record has been found to tell when the last services were held in the Pleasant Hill church; however, the Western Conference of the Swedish M. E. church held in Clay Center the week of Aug. 21, 1919 consolidated the Pleasant Hill Swedish Methodist and the Clay Center Swedish Methodist churches with Rev. W. W. Carlson to have charge of both.

On Nov. 25, 1920 the church members voted to sell four acres of their ground. They sold the land to John A. Swanberg on April 23, 1921 for $1700. Trustees at the time were: Nels Nelson, Peter R. Forslund, Theodore Olson, Jonas Alften, Olaf Norquist, A. L. Carlson, and J. A. Johnson. On Sept 18, 1925 the congregation authorized the sale of the remaining acre to John A. Swanberg for $50.

In addition to the ministers named above the following ministers also served the church: Oscar J. Swan, John Linn, C. A. Anderson, A. J. Lofgren, John Lundeen, P. A. Lundberg, J. E. Johnson, Olof Forsgren, H. A. Peterson, Carl Fromen, Olof Olson, Emil Malmstrom, Oscar Stromberg, Frank Edwards.

RCGS WORKSHOP, OCTOBER 14, 1989



Cemetery Records

PLEASANT VALLEY CEMETERY, CLAY COUNTY

The Pleasant Valley Cemetery, completely surrounded by cedar trees, sits on top of a hill three miles east of Oakhill, Kansas. It is located on County Road 404 in the N.E. corner of NW 1/4 of 26-9-1.

Burials as recorded on stones:

Allen, Thomas, Jan 10,1820-14 Sept 1889
Blake, Arthur, 1856-1940
Margaret, 1856-1931
Carrington, J. M., b. 29 Dec 1824 d. 1 Feb 1905
Wm. S., b. 6 Oct 1816 d. 22 Feb 1906
R. H., b. 5 May 1844 d. 9 Jan 1913
Carson, Robert d. 27 Apr 1894, aged 83 yrs. G.A.R.
Eliza, d. 24 May 1903 aged 86 yrs.
Chapman, Ralph, b. 10 Feb 1907 d. 9 May 1946
Clark, E. (or F), (Native limestone marker)
Crawford, Mary E., wife of James M. King, b. 13 May 1862 d 23 Oct 1905
William B., b. 6 Apr 1838 d. 10 Nov 1886
Eliza, his wife, b. 23 May 1844 d 2 Jan 1915
Crook, Wilber Martin, b. 7 July 1877 d 16 Aug 1877
George T., b. 8 Jan 1841 d. 1 July 1891, G.A.R.
Donaldson, Alexander, d. 1875 aged 56 yrs.
Dotson, Charles F., b. 10 Nov 1853 d. 18 Jan 1947
Amanda, b. 26 Oct 1854 d 10 May 1906
Dunable, Henry, d. 22 May 1909 aged 74 yrs.
Margaret, d. 3 June 1901 aged 79 years
Ford, Eva, wife of W. E. Ford, d. 11 Dec 1902 aged 26 yrs, 4 mo, 26 da.
Gamber, Frank E., b. 12 June 1851 d 19 July 1897
Gasswint, John E., 1901-1954
Keeler, Hammond, son of H. & M. Keeler d. 27 Oct 1890(?) 4 yr 1mo 10 da.
Keller, Ed. C., b. 12 Mar 1869 d. 21 Jan 1927
Keller, Harmon, b. 1900 (not readable)
King, James, 1858-1935
Addie, Sept 1873-Apr 1947--(2nd wife)
King (see Mary E. Crawford, 1st wife)
Kirkland, James, 1829-1910
Ellen 1837-1875
Ellen (their daughter) 1873-1888
Lamkin, Erle, son of Geo. J. & Cynthia, b. 28 July 186? d. ?Feb 187?
Matthews, Mary Patsy, Mother
Mayor, James, 1872-1945
Lillie, 1879-1953
McCaully, Mary A., wife of William, d. 10 Mar 1888, aged 28 yr 11 mo 10 da.
McKale, Savilla, 1858-1952
Chas., 1856-1933
Amanda, b. 1877 d at 4 yrs.
McKnight, Susan Ella, dau. of G. F. & M. P. McKnight, b. 3 Aug 188? d. 28 Nov 1888
Sandford, Jennie M., b. 14 Nov 1881 d 22 June 1948
Smith, Kenneth E., son of W. J. & V. S. Smith, 1913-1931
Snyder, Arthur, G., b. 7 Sept 1879 d. 24 Jan 1938
C. Harry, b. 12 Jan 1876 d 9 Mar 1947
John M., b. 1 Mar 1855 d. 18 Mar 1912
Sarah E. b. 1 Dec 1850 d. 31 Dec 1914
Frank J., b. 17 Dec 1891 d 7 June 1960, Kansas P.F.C., H. Q. Co. 14 Infantry World War I
Stuck, Malley (or Molly) b. 9 June 1899 d. 3 Aug 1899
Cecil B., b. 10 Apr 1905 d. 24 Aug 1905
Sutton, William, b. 29 Feb 1820 d. 22 July 1897
Elizabeth T., b. 14 May 1825 d. 9 Nov 1896
Rosemary, d. 23 May 1880 aged 20yr 6mo 20da
Daisy J., b. 5 Apr 1898 d. 6 Apr 1898
Robert, b. 3 Nov 1859 d. 3 May 1880
John T., 1856-1934, father
Eliza E., 1864-1928, mother
Avis Jean, 1927-1935, dau. of Dewey & Alberta
Van Scoyoc, Peter, 1841-1928, father
Mary A., 1851-1929, mother
Myrtilla, 1872-1872
Emma, 1880-1881
Georgia, 1885-1885
Flossie, 1888-1889
Mary Frances, 1875-1961
Sherman, 1871-1943, husband
Minnie, 1873-1971, wife
Marvin, 1873-1948, husband
Hattie, 1875-1962, wife
Walter, David F., b. 8 Feb 1821 d. 23 Aug 1886, G.A.R.
Walters, Blanche, b. 13 Oct 1889 d. 6 Dec 1955, Mother of Ralph Chapman

On a native sandstone marker, only Em--Sal- is legible.
Cemetery read 7 May 1989.

THE RAILROAD CAME TO MANHATTAN

(Manhattan Independent, 11 August 1866)

We learn with pleasure that cars, freight and passenger, will commence running to this place on Thursday next. Had the event occurred at the time we first expected it there would have been great rejoicing in Manhattan, as it is, the shrill sound of the whistle frequently heard just across the Blue, creates no sensation, and scarcely causes a passing remark.

It is nevertheless an event of no ordinary interest. Persons visiting our city from the Eastern states can leave Boston on Monday evening and arrive here Friday at noon. The time from St. Louis to this place will be only 18 hours.

News About The Platt House

(Manhattan Nationalist, October 13, 1871)

Prof. Platt's new home is just inclosed (sic) and will be finished by the end of the term. It is of brick, two stories, with light limestone trimmings and is built in the best manner.

Book Reviews

FEDERAL CENSUS FOR DICKINSON COUNTY, KANSAS, FOR 1860, 1865, AND 1870. Compiled by Thomas Branigar, 520 1/2 N. Olive St., Abilene Kansas., 67410; published separately, 1989; soft cover on each book. 1860 census, 17 pp., $5.50; 1865 census, 10 pp., $5.50; 1870 census, 75 pp., $10.00.

The names on the 1860 and 1865 census are listed in the order they were recorded in the county. On the 1870 census the names are listed by township. All three census books have been indexed.

BIRTH AND DEATH NOTICES FROM EARLY ENTERPRISE, NEWSPAPERS, 1883-1900. Compiled by Thomas Branigar, 520 1/2 N. Olive St., Abilene, KS, 67410, soft cover, 1989, 80pp., $8.00.

Enterprise is in Dickinson County, Kansas. The period covered is from 1 February 1883-27 December 1890. Abstracts of newspaper items are given in alphabetical order of the surname of the person about whom the article was written. A separate index is provided for other family names appearing in the articles. Although the book contains mainly birth and death notices the author has included a few other events.

THE PEACE OF THE SOLOMON VALLEY, MY HOME, Mildred Almeda Jones Nicholson, 1986, 8 1/2 x 11, hardback, indexed.

The book begins with the story of the Martin Jones family who went west from Georgia to escape the turmoil of the Civil War, but they were caught up in it in Arkansas. Escaping to Atchison, Kansas, they later went on west and settled in the Valley of the Solomon River near Solomon, Kansas. For awhile they lived with other families inside a stockade called Ft. Solomon.

The story is an interesting account of early frontier life in the words of Jane Jones, wife of Martin. The personal narrative ends in 1896.

Also in the book are the direct lineages of the related families--Martin, White, Melton, and Jones. Included are many pictures, maps, lineage charts, wills, obituaries, newspaper accounts, and other items of research.

PHILIP NEWMAN AULT (1844-1914), HIS ANCESTORS AND DESCENDANTS, INCLUDING LAU, WALDER, SCHMIDT, BOLSHAW, LITTRELL, AND OTHER RELATED FAMILIES. J. Harvey Littrell, 1988, paperback, 8 1/2 x 11, indexed, $11.00.

Two hundred fifty years of one branch of the Ault family in this country was chronicled in this book. It begins with Valentin Alt (Ault) who immigrated from the Rhine Region in 1738. He was the g-g-grandfather of the subject of the book and the g-g-g grandfather of the author. Other names and surnames in the title are ancestors and descendants of Philip Newman Ault.

The author's research was conducted in Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Nebraska, and Washington, D. C. Although there are no living descendants of Philip Newman Ault who knew him, the author brings him and others in the book to life through his extensive research.

The beginning chapter tells about the five immigrant families other than Aults who were ancestors of the book's subject. All were from either Switzerland or the Rhine region of Germany. The second chapter tells of families of the Pennsylvania Ault ancestors.

In the third chapter are the Ohio and Indiana ancestors, Johan Philip and Valentine Ault, their wives and children. Chapter four is the story of Philip Newman Ault and his wife, Dora Webster Ault. By careful research the author has reconstructed the life of the grandfather he never knew.

Chapter five includes the children and grandchildren of Philip Newman Ault, and chapter six tells of the children's descendants to the tenth generation from Valentin Alt.

The entire book is made most interesting by being in almost story form. Pictures, copies of wills, pedigree charts, personal accounts, military records, diaries, obituaries, maps, etc. all add to the interest.

It is the author's hope that the descendants of Philip Newman Ault will become acquainted with their heritage.

HEADIN' FOR GREENER PASTURES. Mildred Nicholson, 1986, hardback, 8 1/2 x 11, 110 pp., indexed.

The John Bruce who immigrated to America between 1737 and 1740 was a descendant of "Robert the Bruce", famous in Scottish history. The Bruce family first settled in Chester County, Pennsylvania and then in Virginia. They later emigrated west through other states to the Solomon Valley in Kansas.

This story is written by a descendant. She tells facts of the immigration, homes established along the way, and the early life in the Solomon Valley. The Bruce family was one of the early pioneer families. Their home was near Bennington.

Included in the book is an account of the families of Ray Wilmer Jones and Caroline Wolf Bruce. There are many pages of research items, including maps, pictures, and legal documents.

RCGS LIBRARY ACQUISITIONS FROM APRIL TO JULY 1989

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016.9 Ameri — American Family Records Assoc., Catalog of books:AFRA genealogy circulating collection v.2
Tape 016.9 Bunce — Bunce, The National Archives field branches *
106.92 Direc — Directory of historical and genealogical societies in Kansas, 1989 ex

EMIGRATION & IMMIGRATION

325.2 Baker — Baker, True stories of New England captives carried to Canada during the Old French & Indian Wars, g Dorothy Thummel
325,2 Coldh — Coldham, Emigrants from England to the American colonies, 1773-1776 *
325.2 Frenc — French, List of emigrants to America from Liverpool, 1697-1707, g Elaine Olney
325.2 Teppe — Tepper, New World immigrants; a consolidation of ship passenger lists & associated data from periodical literature, ex TGS

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Tape 355 M2w — Walker, Military records in the National Archives *

GENERAL PERIODICALS

929.051 Chedw — Chedwato dispatch, v.1 no.4, 1979 & v.2 no. 1, 1980, g Elaine Olney

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929.2 Virku — Virkus, The Compendium of American genealogy, v.5 & 6 *

FAMILY HISTORIES

929.2 Ault — Littrell, Philip Newman AULT (1844-1914), his ancestors and descendants, g H. Littrell
929.2 Bruce — Nicholson, Headin' for greener pastures (BRUCE family), g Author
929.2 Jones — Nicholson, The peaceful Solomon Valley, my home (JONES & WILLS families), g Author
929.2 Kerr — KERR-CARR collector, g Dorothy Thummel
VF 929.2 Lieb — LIEB family, g Penny Suleiman
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On 2 February 1861, the Western Express

On 2 February 1861, the Western Kansas Express of which Charles F. de Vivaldi was editor printed a news item about the event. The item was entitled "PUBLIC REJOICING." The item as written follows:

As early as Friday evening the first of February, the citizens of Manhattan assembled at City Hall which was brilliantly illuminated to greet the intelligence of our admission into the Federal Union as a Sovereign State. With feelings of rejoicing, the meeting was called to order by Mr. C. F. de Vivaldi, and on motion Judge Pipher was called to the Chair, and James Humphrey appointed Secretary.

After announcing the object of the meeting, the Chair introduced the Hon. S. D. Houston, senator elect from the District. Mr. Houston enumerated a few of the advantages which we should derive from our admission, and pointed through the present gloom to a prosperous future. On retiring, Rev. Mr. Paulson was loudly called for, and on coming forward, remarked that the long conflict between freedom and Slavery in Kansas was now forever settled. The foul conspiracy inaugurated by the repeal of the Missouri Compromise, and the enactment of the Kansas Nebraska dodge, to fasten on this beautiful State the dark repulsive feature of Slavery had signally failed. Mr. Paulson entered into a becoming and manly vindication of the right and duty of ministers to lift up their voice against political iniquity and severely rebuked that sniviling class of politicians, who conceive that the ministerial function and patriotism are incompatible.

The meeting was subsequently addressed by Mr. C. F. de Vivaldi, Mr. Fox, Rev. C. E. Blood and others. Three rousing cheers were than given for the new State of Kansas, after which the meeting was dismissed.

James Humphrey

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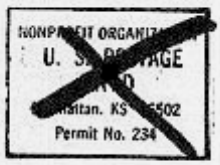
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Anyone interested in preserving family and community records is invited to become a member. Dues are $10.00 per calendar year per family unit. Members receive the current year's issues of Kansas Kin. Genealogists are on hand each Tuesday and Thursday morning to help with genealogical problems. Free classes are held periodically. An hour's free research is provided for out-of-town members. Members can buy books approved by the Acquisition Committee as gifts to the Society. The Society will pay one-half the cost of such books.

PROGRAM MEETINGS

The last Monday of each month, September through May, except December, meetings are held from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the Manhattan Public Library, unless otherwise announced.

KANSAS KIN

The RCGS quarterly is published in February, May, August, and November. The staff welcomes receiving Bible and church records, wills, school and court records, and family records and stories. Ancestor tables are limited to one page, 68 lines, per member. Materials concerned with people or events in counties adjacent to Riley County as well as Riley County are solicited. Upon request, gift books will be reviewed in Kansas Kin and given to RCGS.

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All donations to RCGS may be deductible on federal income tax returns. The IRS has ruled the Society a tax exempt educational and scientific organization within the meaning of Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954.

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All monies received in memory of a deceased member or non-member are used for acquisitions. The deceased's family is notified that the donation has been received by RCGS.

1989/90 DATES TO REMEMBER

November 8, Board Meeting, Platt House, 7:00 p.m.
November 27, RCGS Regular Meeting, Public Library, Stella Fry, "Colonial Probate Records."
January 16, 1990, Board Meeting
January 29, RCGS Regular Meeting, Public Library, Open Discussion of Members' Kansas Ancestors, How They Arrived, How Information About Them Was Obtained
June 30, KCGS annual meeting, Janet Luebking, Speaker, RCGS host, Manhattan

The President presents

I mostly enjoyed but sometimes despaired during my two years as president. Much is left for my succesor to accomplish but, with the support of each of you, it can be done. Permit me to make a few observations as I complete my term.

This Society has always had outstanding dedicated volunteers and they were necessary since we have NO paid personnel. The group was founded with the premise that members would help each other in their research and preservation of records. To continue the tradition we must have NEW VOLUNTEERS to replace those who have moved or must cut back their schedules. Each new member is asked to complete a volunteer sheet but for those of you who are already members and can provide help, please pick up one of these sheets at the librarian's desk and fill it out or call one of the officers and indicate what you would be willing to do.

Do something nice for the membership chairman and renew before Jan. 1. Where can you receive so much for $10? 4 issues Kansas Kin, free query service in the quarterly, checkout privileges to nearly 200 periodicals, access to microfilm rental service and one hour's free research for out-of-town members.

We remind you that there is a line on the renewal form for contributions to the National Archives ($1 per year per genealogist) for their indexing projects and another line for donations to our Society. The library is maintained solely by dues and contributions. These tax-free donations are most welcome. Have you considered giving a gift membership to a friend?

Each year a book is placed in the library as a memorial to those members who died during the year. The Library was chosen as the memorial book for 1988. It is a guide to the LDS family history library in Salt Lake City and may be found on the library shelves under 026 Cerny.

Interest in family history is not waning. The free classes in Sept/Oct were full and there is a waiting list for another series later this winter. Thanks to Dan Walter, Pauline Streeter, Sherry Butler, & Milton & Bessie Wray for providing stimulating and informative classes.

Do you have Bible records or other unpublished genealogical records which could be used in Kansas Kin? Searching and finding records is the fun part but preserving them through publication is our duty for our descendants.

Welcome to Margie Hall as the new chart recorder and a big thanks to Mary Alice Line for the years she devoted to this duty.

Evelyn

Society News

NOMINATION OF OFFICERS FOR 1990

The nominating committee composed of Pauline Streeter, Roberta Albrecht, and Pauline Adolph presented the following slate of officers for 1990 at the October meeting:

President--Della Wray Blythe
Vice president--Miriam Field
Corresponding Secretary--Libby Wolffing
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The election will be at the November meeting at the Public Library.

WELLAUER SPOKE AT 27TH ANNUAL WORKSHOP

Maralyn Ann Wellauer of Milwaukee, Wisconsin was the featured speaker at the 1989 annual workshop. Sixty-four registrants attended the all-day event on Saturday, October 14. She spoke on Immigration-emigration, Tracing the pedigree of pre-1850 immigrants, and Record keeping and repositories.

Introduced at the workshop was a T-shirt emblazoned with "I just may be your KANSAS KIN." Orders are being taken for the shirts--$8.50. Profits will be used for the Society's needs. This shirt would be an excellent Christmas gift. The shirts were designed by Ralf & Aileen Graham, the Workshop co-chairmen. Other members of the committee for the workshop were Sherri Hooper, Katharine Mulanax, and Darlene Hagen.

KUDOS TO EYESTONE

Cecil Eyestone, Building and Grounds chairman, has proved his weight in gold yet again. He recently fertilized the lawn at his own expense and has been watering it in. He built two handicapped ramps so that those in wheelchairs could enter the library. He has spent much time trying to determine why the smoke alarm keeps alarming. Cecil has been plagued with a decision on what to do with a leaky second floor stool. When an aged trumpet vine decided to drop from a tree, he removed it and hauled it away. When no one volunteered to do the monthly vacuuming, he did it.

Thanks, Thanks, Cecil for diligently carrying out your duties and going the second mile!

BEST CHOICE LABLES SENT IN FOR REFUND

With the help of many RCGS members, 1000 bar labels from Best Choice foods were collected and have been sent in for a $60 refund. This money will be used for acquistions. Please remember to keep bringing the bar labels in for future profits.

EARLY DAY RILEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (1857 - 1900)

Beginning with the present issue of Kansas Kin, a series of articles will be published about the men who served as County Commissioners in Riley County between 1855 and 1900. Biographies of several of the men have previously appeared in either Pioneers of the Blue Stem Prairie or in an article about Ogden's early settlers which was published in the Nov. 1988 issue of Kansas Kin. These men were not researched for the series. The men not researched and the years they served were: Thomas Reynolds, 1855-1856; C. F. Mobley, 1855-1856; S. B. White, 1857; Jesse Ingraham, 1859, and A. Huntress, 1860.

PART I: RILEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS DURING THE KANSAS TERRITORIAL DAYS (1855 - 1861)

The Territorial Legislature appointed the Commissioners for Riley County between 1855 when the county was established in the Kansas Territory and January 1861 when Kansas became a state. The men, other than those listed in the opening statement above, who were appointed by the Legislature were: Clay Thompson, 1855; Fox Booth, 1856; T. N. Lilley and three ex-officio Probate Judges, John S. Randolph, W. I. Gilbert, and Lorenzo Westover, 1857; Lorenzo Westover, 1858; F. M. Blake, 1858; George Taylor, 1859; Jonas Kress, 1859; O. E. Osbourne, 1860; and J. K. Whitson, 1860.

Clay Thompson
(A Southern Sympathizer?)

Clay Thompson was the first Probate Judge appointed by the Territorial Legislature for Riley County. With that position he served on the Riley County Commission. Riley County at that time covered a larger territory than at present.

Thompson was not listed on any census taken in either Riley or Davis County. This fact might be explained by the political conditions at that time. There was considerable turmoil in the territory. Southern sympathizers and Free-Soilers were at odds. The first men appointed to office were from the south or had southern sympathy. Evidently Thompson left Riley County after he served; at least no record could be found other than his appointment.

Fox Booth
(The Owner of a Female Slave)

On 5 August 1856, a commission was issued by the Legislature appointing Fox Booth to the County Commission. The previous year Fox Boothe (sic) had appeared on the Territorial census. At that time he was listed as living in the 12th District between Soldier Creek and the Vermillion River. In 1859, he was on the Davis County census. The census records have the notation that names appear of people who were in Riley County. On the 1859 census Fox Booth is listed as having settled in the area in 1855. On the 1860 census, his age was given as 48; his occupation, farmer; and his property worth $6000 and personal property, $400. He was born in New York. On the 1870 Davis County census, he was living in Davis Township. His age was 52; his real property worth $2000 and personal property $1000. With him were two children, Ruth, age 5, and John, age 2. Who they were is not known.

Slave Holder Activity

An interesting story about Fox Booth was told in an address to the Kansas Historical Society; however, the facts in the story don't agree with facts given in the census reports. The story was in the form of a letter written by William H. Mackey.

"Fox Booth, a North Carolinian, who came in 1854 from some point on the Platte to Fort Riley, owned a negro woman slave. She worked a ferry boat for him, and rowed me across the raging Kaw many times. Booth tired of her and brought her down to McDowell's Creek to Tom Reynolds' place and offered her for trade. Reynolds looked her over and came to the conclusion that she would make a good herder. Booth wanted a few cows for her, but Reynolds would not part with the cows, and finally offered an old white stallion, and the deal went. This was in the fall of 1855." Historians believe this was the first slave sale in Riley County.

Discovery of a Hanging

Another incident in which Fox Booth was involved was the discovery of the body of the son of Tom Reynolds hanging from a tree. A series of raids by horse thieves had been occurring in the counties. Various versions exist as to why young Reynolds was hung. Some say he was one of the horse thieves and others say he apprehended the horse thieves.

Thomas N. Lilley
(A Recorded Pro-Slavery Man)

In 1855, Thomas N. Lilley was appointed along with S. B. White as a county commissioner. On the 1856 list of county tax payers, Lilley was listed in favor of slavery. In 1857 he appeared on the census with three males. On 20 March 1858 he was in Ogden and married Betty Nichols. No further information could be found about him. Evidently he left the county.

John S. Randolph
(A Defender at Hickory Point)

John S. Randolph appeared on the 1861 tax list as being from the city of Ogden. Evidently he was not a member of the Randolph family that settled the northern part of the county. He served at the LeCompton Convention in June 1857. In September 1856, Randolph served as a lieutenant in an armed force that was ordered by the Governor to defend Hickory Point against an Abolitionist group that attacked that settlement.

Whether or not Randolph was a southern sympathizer is not known; the armed force consisted of both southern sympathizers and Free-Soilers.

The last information found about John S. Randolph was that he served at the LeCompton Convention on 15 June 1857.

Washington J. Gilbert
(Who Was He?)

On 10 August 1857, after John S. Randolph resigned as Probate Judge, Washington J. Gilbert was appointed. He could not be found on any census for the area.

Lorenzo Westover
(Controversial Figure, Religious Man)

Lorenzo Westover was born in 1817; married Emma Briggs who had been born in Unadilla, New York. Lorenzo was an early arrival in Riley County, settling on Wild Cat Creek in 1855. His wife died that year at the age of 33. She is buried in Sunset Cemetery. On the same lot is an infant daughter.

On the 1856 tax list he was listed as a Free-Soiler. He also had to pay a tax that year to the Federal Government for a license as a lawyer.

In 1857 the territorial census showed him to be the head of a family with one male and one female. In 1860 he was listed a farmer, aged 40, with property valued at $1550. In 1865 he was listed as being 47 years old, a farmer with real property worth $4000 and personal property, $700. With him on the census was a female, Jeanna F., age 18, who assisted at home. She, too, was born in New York. Their relationship was not given.

Westover was appointed a Probate Judge in 1857 and thus was an ex-officio member of the Commission. He was actively involved in the county seat fight between Ogden and Manhattan. As judge he ordered all papers, books, stationery, and furniture to be given to the sheriff for removal to Manhattan. He and the others involved were attacked by six men, who recovered the property and hid it in Ogden.

Religious Activity

Lorenzo was also involved in the dispute which at that time was raging over the temperance question. He along with George Montague and John Furrow represented their neighborhood in 1858 at a temperance meeting in Manhattan. Evidently he was a very religious man. On 2 September 1862, he wrote a letter to the Manhattan Express in which he described a camp meeting held at the junction of Mill creek and the Blue River. In the letter he wrote, "...the zeal of the church and the devout attention given to the several ministers as they respectively addressed their sermons to the people...contributed to evince the presence and approbation of Almighty God."

A Political Feud

He was also an opponent of S. D. Houston who then represented the Territory in Washington. In another letter to the editor he expressed his distrust and dislike for Houston. Westover had been selected by the Free-State party to stop Houston from dividing the party. Houston retaliated by stating in a letter to the paper that some actions of Westover were those of "...a lying cane-like looking individual by the name of Westover. Westover is a notorious liar and consummate scoundral." Westover refuted all of Houston's accusations and used a few choice words to describe Houston.

Later Years

In 1867 Westover moved to Ellsworth and then later to Clyde, where he lived for many years. The 1880 census revealed that he was living in Clyde with a wife, Julia, age 47. She was born in Massachusetts. Lorenzo was 63, and listed as an attorney. With them was a son, T. M., age 16, who had been born in Kansas. His mother had been born in New York, so evidently he was a child of Westover's first marriage.

On 10 April 1881 Julia Hewing Westover died. She was 47 yr., 5 mo., 7 da. old at the time of her death. Buried in the same cemetery lot in Mount Hope Cemetery in Clyde, Kansas, are two sons, Harry, age 6 mo. and Mervale Burleigh, age 8 mo., sons of Lorenzo and Julia E. Westover.

On 31 October 1893 Westover died in Wichita where his son lived. His body was brought to Manhattan for burial in Sunset Cemetery. The newspaper article telling of his death, stated that "...two young children were buried here many years ago." Lorenzo was buried beside his first wife.

Freeman Norton Blake
(Active in Local and National Politics)

Probably the most active politician of the early day Commissioners was Freeman Norton Blake. At the time he was a Commissioner he was living in that part of Riley County which later would become Davis County, and then Geary County. He served as a Commissioner in 1858. The same year he was a member of the Leavenworth Convention. As late as 1869 he was listed as a voter in Riley Township, Riley County and a notary public. His address was Junction City. He was one of the founders of that town. In 1859 he organized the first Sunday School in Junction City. He also founded the town of Kansas Falls and served as postmaster from 20 November until 8 December 1858. In March of 1858 he was elected a member of the Kansas Relief Committee at Chicago. The same year he was a member of the Leavenworth Convention.

Blake was also active in the county seat fight in Riley County. On 4 January 1860 he signed a petition to change the county seat from Manhattan to Ogden.

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In 1861 Blake served in the state legislature as a representative for Riley and Pottawatomie Counties. Nationally he was in politics by being appointed to be the Counsel in Erie, Ontario, in 1863-69, and to Hamilton, Ontario, from 16 April 1869 to 1877.

Blake attempted to have the name of Davis County changed to Lincoln County. He did so because, "Lincoln became the name for freedom and union, as that of Davis became the name for slavery, treason, and disunion." This is the last information that could be obtained about Freeman Blake, other than it is known he died before 1870.

George Taylor
(Was He Also a Davis County Commissioner?)

The only information that could be obtained about George Taylor was that he was a clerk of the elections in Riley County and he was appointed on 26 May 1858, as a County Commissioner. In the Davis County records there was a County Commissioner named George Taylor, but no proof was obtained that he was the Riley County Taylor.

Jonas Kress
(Early Mill Creek Settler)

Jonas Kress one of the first settlers on Mill Creek had a quarter section one-half mile from Stockdale. He arrived in 1856 and in 1858 he was appointed to the Riley County Board of Supervisors (sic).

On the 1860 census he was listed as being 51 years of age, his wife "P", over 50; John, 25; George, 20; W, 15; E, 9; Martha, 12, and E, 12. The 1865 census clarifies the above abbreviated record and corrects some errors. On that census, Jonas, 56, had real property worth $2500 and personal property worth $1100. With him was his wife, Penelope, 55, born in Tennessee; John, 30, a farmer with $700, real property, and $300, personal property; George, 25, with personal property worth $300; Wesley, 19, worth $300. These three sons had all served in the Eleventh Kansas Guard. Also listed on the 1865 census was a female, Martha, 17, and a male, Elbridge, 14. All of the children were born in Indiana. The 1870 census for Kansas listed Jonas Kress in Clay Center, Kansas.

The newspaper reported that Mrs. Jonas Cress (sic) died September 1889 at the age of 79. Jonas died 27 March 1891 at the age of "nearly ninety." Actually he was eighty-two. He was the father of Mrs. Joseph Earle and Mrs. Henry Daughterty.

Information about the Kress Children

Marriage records show that Martha married H. H. E. Daugherty 8 July 1865, in a ceremony performed by the Reverend Washington Marlatt. John, 39, of Clay County, married Miss. M. L. Johnson, 30, on 12 April 1874. This may have been a second marriage for him. Elbridge Kress, 19, of Manhattan, married Alice C. Littler, 16, of Henryville (now Randolph) 19 December 1869. Cemetery records reveal that Martha was born in 1848 and died 30 November, 1924. She is buried in Sunset Cemetery wish her husband, H. H. E. Daugherty. He was born in 1842 and died 17 November 1897. Elbridge died 3 July 1930, and is buried in Sunset Cemetery with his wife, who died 27 September 1937. Emeline Kress married Joseph C. Earle on 20 March 1859. They are recorded on the 1860 census. She was 22 and born in Indiana; he was 24 and born in Rhode Island.

Owen E. Osbourne
(Father of Ten Children and Large Land Owner)

In 1858 Owen E. Osbourne came from Iowa and homesteaded on eighty acres one mile south of May-day on land that had one of the biggest springs in that part of Kansas. At the time the area he homesteaded was in Jackson Township, but later was changed to May Day Township.

Osbourne was a man of 45 at the time he came to Kansas, having been born 19 June 1812, in Guilford County, North Carolina. He was the son of Thomas Osbourne, a native of North Carolina who left the south in 1812 and moved to Ohio, then Indiana, and then Iowa. Owen's mother was also born in North Carolina, and died in Ohio. Owen's wife, Lydia Merideth, was also born in North Carolina 4 May 1817. She and Owen were married 15 April 1833. Owen's family had moved to Ohio shortly after his birth and then on to Indiana, where Owen lived until he was forty-six. He then moved to Iowa and finally to Kansas.

Owen E. Osbourne was appointed to the Riley County Commission just two years after arriving in Kansas; that is, in 1860. Through the years Owen purchased much land, but on the 1880 census he is listed as a shoemaker. At that time he was 67 years old. This may have been a retirement activity along with farming.

Lydia Osbourne died on 27 November 1893, and her husband, Owen E. died the next spring on 4 May 1894. Both are buried in the May Day Cemetery.

Owen and Lydia's Family

Owen and Lydia had ten children; namely, Melissa, Thomas, John, Joseph, Minerva, Mary, Alonzo, Diana, Owen, and Nathan. Of these ten, only Mary, Nathan, and Melissa were on the 1865 census with their parents. On that census, Owen was 53 years of age, with real property worth $2000 and personal property worth $1000. With him were his wife, Lydia, age 48; Mary, 16; and Nathan, 11; both children were born in Iowa. Also on the census in the same household was his daughter "Malissa", age 30, born in Indiana. She was married to A. S. Edgerton, 35, and they had five children on the census. On the 1870 census the only child at home was Nathan. On the 1880 census Owen E. and Lydia were alone, but on the 1885 census they had a child, Ada O., age 7, living with them. She was probably a granddaughter. Also with them was their daughter Mary M. Dicks, 37, with her six children.

Further Information about the Osbourne Children

Melissa was born 2 July 1875 and died 25 March 1911. Her husband, Ashel Edgerton died 26 July 1911. John Osbourne married Adaline Whitacre 19 September 1862; Joseph E. Osbourne married Mary Jane Silves 3 October 1863; Mary married William H. Dicks 25 July 1867; and Nathan married Nettie Keech 30 December 1875. Nettie was born 1 October 1854 and died 28 February 1892. Thomas Osbourne died 21 October 1890 aged 53 yr. 2 mo. 22 da. His wife Lucy died 2 October 1929. Mary M. Dicks died 19 March 1911.

John K. Whitson
(A Pioneer Who Won an Important Race)

In his book about Randolph, Walter Bates told of the race which John K. Whitson and Britton Randolph ran to secure the land where Randolph was located prior to being relocated in the 1950's. Bates wrote, "Along with John Kress they (Whitson and others) jumped the town site of Randolph then being held by Mr. Pease. This resulted in a lively claim contest in the United States land office in 1859, when it was decided that neither party complied with the law. Accordingly J. K. Whitson and Britton Randolph made a run of 27 miles. Mr. Whitson was the victor and later married and occupied the house vacated by Mr. Pease which stood where the public square is now located. He surveyed and plotted the town which was then called Waterville, but later changed to Randolph."

Secrest stated that the Land Office was in Ogden and that the race between Whitson and Randolph was a race between life and death. Whitson on his return from Ogden, got a fresh horse at the Kress farm, rode to the final spot, and started cutting down a tree for a log house.

John K. Whitson married Tamar Condry on 30 June 1859 in Riley County. Whitson's family was included in the Riley County 1860 census. That was the year he was appointed to the Riley County Commission. In 1860 he was 24 years old, a farmer with real property valued at $4000 and personal property worth $1550. Whitson was born in New York. With him was an eighteen-year old wife, Tamar, who had been born in Indiana. They had a son, Henry, aged 1 1/2. Henry was born in Kansas Territory. On the 1865 census a daughter, Jennie J., aged 2, was added to the family.

Whitson served as postmaster of Randolph from 2 July 1860 to January 1863. In 1861 he and H. Condray had started a saw and grist mill at the mouth of Fancy Creek in Randolph.

John K. Whitson died in Monroe County, Arkansas, but the year is not known; it was prior to August 1894. His will was filed on 24 April 1941. In his will he listed his wife, Tamar; a son H. D. L. married to Carrie M.; A daughter Dora K. who died about 20 August 1894; a daughter Minnie Neagle and a daughter Della Scruggs. The family was not on any Riley County census after 1865, so it is not known when or where Carrie, Dora, and Minnie were born.

Sources of Information for Part I

Kansas Historical Collections, Vol. 3, 5, 7; Manhattan Newspapers (The Republic, The Manhattan Express, The Nationalist); The Riley County Historical Plat Book; The Biographical and Portrait Album for Washington, Clay, and Riley Counties; Andreas, History of Kansas; Sunset Cemetery; Cemeteries of Riley County; Early Marriages of Riley County; Census Records for Kansas Territory, Riley County, and Davis County between 1857-1885; Whitson family file in the Kansas State Historical Society Library; Randolph and Vicinity

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Editor's Note: The series about early day Riley County Commissioners will be continued in the February issue of Kansas Kin. In that issue Part II will be about the commissioners who served during the 1860's.

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SEEKING ANCESTORS

The following item appeared ninety-three years ago in the Junction City, Kansas, Daily Sentinel, 27 June 1895, p. 4, col. 1.

Librarians Worried by Women Looking for Revolutionary Forebear

"My life is made miserable," said a librarian plaintively, "by people who are anxious to become members of the Sons of the Revolution or the Daughters of the Revolution. Only about one-half of them succeed; but it takes a long time to prove to them that they can't succeed. The craze started only a few years ago, with the organization of these societies, and it is still on the increase.

"Most of the seekers of ancestors are women. A great many of them, I believe, have never been in a library before. They know nothing about how to begin a search. They ply me with questions. All I can do is to find out in what state their ancestors lived during the revolution and then turn over the state documents to them. Then, likely as not, they will ask me to help them search, but I draw the line at that. Their disappointment when they can't find a single private in their favor is something terrible. Sometimes they get angry and say the books are wrong, the library is wrong, and everybody is wrong. Again, they find, to their horror, that they had ancestors interested in the revolution—ancestors who were ardent tories."

Editor's Note: The headline writer for this article would be would be accused of sex discrimation if he wrote the same headline today!!



Church Records

Norwegian Evangelical Lutheran Church of Morganville, Clay County

Morris, Illinois, is only a short distance from Norway, Illinois, the site of the Norwegian Settlers State Monument. A group of these Norwegian settlers left Morris and headed west. After spending a few years in Iowa, they continued their westward journey to Kansas and settled in an area in Sherman and Garfield townships in Clay County. Some came in the 1870's, others in the early 1880's.

These early Norwegian settlers organized the Norwegian Lutheran Church of Morganville. Services were held every two or three weeks at the Ross Schoolhouse. There services were conducted mainly by ministers from Scandia, Kansas who came and lived over the weekend in the homes of the members. On a tombstone in the cemetery is the inscription, "Ove B. Thorpe came to America in 1882, was ordained a minister in 1889 and on Nov. 12, 1980, while pastor of the Norwegian Lutheran Church of this community was married to Jennie M. Anderson."

Members' homes were scattered through the area from Morganville in a northeast direction to Parallel. They needed and wanted a church home, but where would they build it? Money was pledged to build a church if it would be built in Morganville. Others wanted it across from the cemetery where a plot for a parsonage had been promised. Members began to bicker over the location of the proposed church and continued to do so until services were discontinued about 1915. Truly this was a church without a church.

On April 24, 1875, Mr. Benjamen Johnson, deeded a plot of his land in 26-6-2 to the Norwegian Lutheran church to be used as a cemetery. The deed, written in Norwegian, was signed by Benjamen Johnson, L. Anderson, Thomas B. Holte, Peter B. Holte, Peder Anderson, Andrew C. Guilleino, Jacob Olsen, L. Lamison, and C. Storm. On the back of the deed is a note of appreciation to Mr. Johnson signed by the minister Ljonmein Toarunsheg and dated May 7, 1875.

This deed was not officially recorded, but in 1886, when the land was in the possession of Lars Anderson, a second deed was executed and recorded with the Registrar of Deeds.

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Editor's Note: Members of RCGS should be very grateful for the time and effort which our Kansas Kin staff member, Helen Gerardy, devotes to obtaining the information concerning the churches and cemeteries in Clay County. Her husband, Dale Gerardy, assists her in reading the cemeteries.

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Cemetery Records

Norwegian Lutheran Cemetery

Located in the SW corner of NW 1/4 of 26-6-2, Clay County, Kansas; 7 miles N, 3 miles W, and 1/2 mile N of Clay Center. The cemetery was read. 14 August 1989.

ANDERSON, Anfin, born in Norway 1827, d. 15 Jan. 1912.
Madela, wife, b. Norway 1839, d. 23 Oct. 1905
Severt A., 17 Jan. 1878-17 June 1945
Agnes D., 22 June 1880-22 Nov. 1961
parents of Severt Jr., Lauren, Elinor, Jobelle
Infant son of s. A. & A. Anderson, d. 21 Dec 1904, aged 5 d.
Lars, d. 13 Jan. 1917, 81 y. 5 m. 10 d.
Helen, his wife, d. 26 Aug. 1932, 84 y. 4 m. 11 d. Andrew T. d. 22 Feb. 1883, 85 y. 5 m. 8 d.,
buried in Swedish Lutheran Cemetery
Malanda, d. 14 Feb. 1899, 94 y. 7 m. 28 d.
Chester T., b. 24 Jan. 1920
Elnora, b. 9 July 1924,
parents of Tom, Tena, Ken, Jo, Beth
Severt S., 1878-1939
Elizabeth M. 1883-1947
Infant son of S. S. & E. M. Anderson, d. 12 Mar. 1912
Geneva M., 1905-1921
Helen Anderson Sterba, 1913-1934
Ernest O., 1907-1944
L. Kenneth, 1918-1944
Glen M. 1922-
Sam D., Kans. 1st. Sgt., 1 Corps, Artillery, World War II, 7 July 1916-14 Jan. 1965
John M., Tech. 4, U. S. Army, W.W. II, 1914-1978
Lars, 25 July 1908-2 July 1949, son of Severt & Elizabeth Anderson and father of Sandra Dean & Loretta Jean
Velda Anderson Dettmer, 10 Sept. 1921-4 Aug. 1970
Michael, 1866-1941
Johanna, 1873-1947
BAKER, James H., 3 June 1853, d. 25 Febr. 1934
DETTMER, Velda Anderson (See under Anderson)
EDMONDS, Halvor, b. Norway 15 May 1810, d. 19 Dec. 1895
Ingeborg, his wife, b. Norway 11 Aug. 1810, d. 25 Nov. 1897
Sister Clara, 1848-1939
Brother Lars, 1846-1927, G.A.R.
Oliver, 17 Dec. 1843-25 June 1935, G.A.R.
Caroline E., his wife, 16 Oct. 1849-5 Sept. 1900
Capitola H., (dau), d. 17 July 1887, 1 y. 11 m. 26 d.
Emma V., (dau), d. 10 Aug 1881, 1 y. 9 m. 26 d.

EDMONDS, Thomas, 22 Apr. 1858-22 Apr. 1949
Inger, 30 Sept. 1865-7 Nov. 1953, parents of Irene and Lilly
EILERS, Velma Holte Eilers, 13 Aug. 1905-8 May 1933
ELLIOTT, Percy Jacob, b. Capeville, Va, 11 Oct. 1907, d. Clay Center Ks, 14 Jan. 1977
GENNETT, Louie, 1919
Doris, 1928-1984
HALL, Jonas, d. 7 Mar. 1894, aged 31 y. 2 m.
Jesse J. son of J. & I. Hall, d. 25 Apr. 1896, 4 y. 5 m. 17d.
HOLTE, Thomas, b. 11 Nov. 1847-21 Dec. 1928, father
Julia, 6 Mar. 1861-6 Sept. 1899
son Lars, 3 Aug. 1895-9 July 1896
son Bernard T., 1885-1950
dau. Mable C. Holte Miller, 1889-1987
George A., Kansas Pvt. 252 A.M.B. Co., 13 Div., 14 Jan 1887-15 Nov. 1942
Bennie C., 20 Nov. 1883-8 May 1927
Frances H., 25 Jan. 1887-3 Jan. 1957
JELLSEY, Thor, 1867-1938
Bertha L., his wife, 1874-1902
Lon Edward, 58952 Northumberland Fusiliers, 9 June 1897-24 May 1921
JELLUM, Andrew, 5 Nov. 1833-1 Nov. 1898
Karen H., 1835-1914
Hans S., 4 Mar. 1861-10 Dec. 1899
JOHNSON, Benjamen, 24 June 1831-11 Jan. 1916
Julia, his wife, 6 May 1834-7 Jan. 1916
Jennie C., 17 Mar. 1873-12 Feb. 1936
Ellen L., 6 May 1870-28 Nov. 1949
C. A. 28 Feb. 1873-27 Apr. 1922
Carrie I., wife, 26 Mar. 1880-29 June 1912
Edwin, son of Charley & Carrie, 6 Aug. 1906-20 Dec. 1957, and father of Dean
Alfred, b. 20 Apr. 1904
Vera, b. 8 Apr. 1910
Jeni, b. 1 Sept.--, d. 24 Aug. 1874. (On this stone one can also read, "---Ensoster dod" 14 Mar. 1874
Martin O., Kansas P.F.C. Cn. Co. 409 Infantry, World War II, 3 May 1911-9 Dec. 1971
John Oscar, 1878-1966
KING, Elizabeth, d. 11 May 1891, aged 75 y. 1 m. 22 d.
LARSON, Erick T., 6 apr. 1849-31 Mar. 1925
Odena G., 26 Mar. 1851-1 Sept. 1933
Lars T., 14 Aug. 1851-8 Mar. 1941
Guenelda, 14 Sept. 1857-25 Dec. 1942
Thomas (son), 14 Aug. 1888-23 Sept. 1946
Edward (son) 15 July 1893-5 Apr. 1970
Mabel E. (dau) 15 Sept 1895-9 Nov. 1973
LEWIS, Henry Herman, Kansas, Pvt. Co. H, 69 Infantry, World War I, 22 June 1897-14 Apr. 1956
Louise, 9 Sept 1864-24 May 1947
McKENZIE, Hector, 1885-1954
Agnes C., 1882-1935
MILLER, Mable C. Holte Miller, 1889-1987
NELSON, Knude, 6 Mar. 1840-28 Jan. 1917
Martha G., 15 Sept. 1856-17 July 1913
Minnie, wife of William C. Nelson, 19 Aug. 1887-10 Nov. 1949
Nelson infant
Carl M. 1894-1963
Leda L. 1897- , parents of L. Wilburn & J. Arlene
OLSON, Jacob, 19 Jan. 1836-26 Feb. 1919
Alice, 9 Apr. 1839-28 Jan. 1922
Carrie I., 25 Mar. 1879, 6 y. 7 m.
Charles, 29 April 1879, 11 y. 3 m.
PETERSON, Erek B., Kansas P.F.C., 59 Infantry, 4 Div., World W. I, 30 Mar. 1891-20 Sept. 1949
Paul, 1863-1930
Martha, 1862-1924
Albert P., Kansas, Pvt. Stu. Army Tng Corps, W. W. I, 11 Sept. 1894-7 Aug. 1965
SAMSON, Christine S., 24 June 1837-8 April 1889
STERBA, (See Helen Anderson Sterba)
STEWART, Claude C. (father), 1887-1946
Irene C. (mother) 1889-1927
Dwight C., 16 Jan. 1927
Waldon E. (son) 1918-1925
STORUM, Christ, 1829-1905
Joseph M., 1880-1888
Albert O., 1875-1876
THORPE, Jennie M. d. 5 Jan. 1900, 30 y. 2d.
Ralph, d. Aug. 1894
Ola A., Kansas Cpl. U. S. Marine Corp., World War I, SS-PH, 1 July 1898-27 June 1957
Helen J., Wife of A. A. Thorpe, 1902-1965
Helen G., 22 Oct. 1891-17 July 1983
Lewis, Kansas Cpl., 140 Field Hospital, World War I, 4 Jan. 1893-8 Oct. 1960
Ove B., 30 July 1859-12 Oct. 1916, b. in Valdres, Norway
Jennie, 23 Dec. 1886-5 Jan. 1900, b. in Morris, Ill.

TUNGESVIG, Thomas L., b. in Norway, 22 Apr. 1813, d. 24 Sept 1901, 88 y. 5 m. 2 d.
Caroline Sheldahl, mother, b. in Norway, Aug. 1820, d. 19 Sept. 1904, age 84

Two sturdy hand-cut markers of native stone with the inscriptions in Norwegian stand, one in the N. W. corner, the other in the S. W. corner. On the first the dates are 29 Aug. 1886-18 Mar. 1889. The other marker is that of Jeni Johnson (see above)

Editor's Note: On Jeni's grave were the words, "Her Undervelter (or undervelder)...Ensoster Dod". The use of a Norwegian dictionary was to no avail in finding out the meaning of these words. One RCGS member with a Norwegian background said that "dod" meant "died." Can any reader tell the meaning of the other words?

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Book Reviews

Editor's Note: In the August Issue of Kansas Kin, the addresses of the authors of two books were omitted. The author of the book The Peace of Solomon Valley, My Home was Mildred Nicholson, 206 Monroe, Abilene, KS 67410; the author of the book, Philip Newman Ault (1844-1914), His Ancestors and Descendants was J. Harvey Littrell, 1526 Jarvis Drive, Manhattan, KS 66502.

THE ROBERTSON AND MAY FAMILIES WITH ALLIED FAMILIES, 1989, compiled by Helen Miller Robertson, 182 Wayne Avenue, Akron, Ohio, 44301, 8 x 11 1/2, paperback, 249 pp., indexed, $25.00

This book is a history of the ancestors and descendants of James Robertson, ca. 1788-1852, and Daniel May, 1756-1820. The book includes as much information on each family member as the author was able to collect.

James Robertson was born in Scotland, married and died there. His wife, Lilias, and five children came to America in 1855. The descendants of these five children are well documented in the book. Daniel May was believed to be the son of a Revolutionary War soldier, John Leonhardt May, who came to America in 1748. No definite proof has been established, but the compiler has pages of information on the May family. Allied families included in the book are Troutman, Junghen (Younkins), Faidley, Meyers, Moyer, Elias, Whipkey, Pringey, Billingham, Howell, Durst, Muter, and Wiland. There are many family photographs, maps, and copies of legal documents.

DESCENDANTS OF SAMUEL STURTEVANT, First Edition, July 1986, Robert H. Sturtevant, 3001 Inverness Drive, Waco TX, 76710, 912 pp., 8 1/2 x 11, hardbound, $36.00.

Sturtevant begins his book with information about Samuel Sturtevant, one of the early settlers in Plymouth, Massachusetts. Following this introduction to the progenitor of the family in America, the book has factual information on 7,981 of his descendants. The author developed a method of indexing whereby individuals and families can be located in the book. The pages are not numbered; all references are by individual index numbers which shows relationship to preceding generations. Fullname index for individuals having more complete entries; surname index for individuals having little or no data.

A unique feature of the book is a section in which individual names are given, but for whom no lineage has been verified. Each entry is preceded by the words, "Who Are My Parents?" printed in bold letters.

THE WHITNEY LINE: 1086 TO 1989. Compiled by Eleanor McCord Whitney, 600 Bluemont, Manhattan, KS 66502, 8 1/2x11, spiral bound, 115 pp. 1987.

True to its claim of recording 901 years of family history, father to son, this compilation follows the Whitney line in England in 1086 to H. B. Whitney in Manhattan, Kansas, in 1987.

Whitney as a surname was originally a place name; a parish located in County Hereford, England.

The English ancestry of John Whitney, the immigrant who settled at Watertown, Massachusetts, in 1635 began with Turston "the Fleming," a follower of William the Conqueror.

In 1866, descendant Solomon Whitney transplanted his New England-based family to the young state of Kansas and put down new roots on the "home place" four miles northwest of Manhattan.

Much of the information in this "family album" consists of an expansive collection of photographs, obituaries, wills, poems, and newspaper clippings about milestone events like weddings, anniversaries, and reunions.

The Whitneys have kept their family ties strong through the years with frequent reunions. The first reference in this book is to the three-generation one at the old Maple Grove Farm homestead west of Manhattan in 1900.

For those who feel the need to consult the traditional family history charts, there is a chronological record of nineteen Whitney family groups in America from Solomon Whitney, March 10, 1832, through Abbie Louise Whitney Smith, July 7, 1919.

F. B. I. Records

Only you can send for your F. B. I. record. If you were in the military, or worked in a factory that required secret clearance, the Federal Bureau of Investigation has you in its files. Under the Freedom of Information Act you may request copies of these records. Write to Freedom of Information--Privacy Acts Branch, Records Management Division, U.S. Dept. of Justice, FBI, Washington, D. C. 20535.

HOMESTEAD LAND

Have you wondered why your ancestor who fought in the Civil War acquired his homestead land by living on the land less than five years? A Union soldier or sailor was entitled to a deduction from the five years of length of time (not exceeding four years) of his military service. But he or his widow had to actually reside on the land at least one year before final proof could be made.

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Linear Measure

1-Link equals 7.92 inches
1-Foot equals 12 inches
1-Yard equals 3 feet or 36 inches
1-Rod equals 16 1/2 feet, 5 1/2 yards, or 25 links. Also called a perch in old deeds.
1-Chain equals 66 feet or 4 rods, or 100 links
1-Furlong equals 660 feet or 40 rods
1-Mile equals 8 furlongs, 320 rods, or 5,280 feet

Square Measure

1-Square Foot equals 144 square inches
1-Square Yard equals 9 square feet or 1,296 square inches
1-Square Rod equals 272 1/4 square feet or 30 1/4 square yards. In square measure a square rod is also called a perch.
1-Acre contains 43,560 square feet, 4,840 square yards, or 160 square rods
1-Acre is about 8 rods by 20 rods long, or any two number (of rods) whose product is 160
1-Acre divides into about 8 lots, 30 by 125 feet
1-Square Mile equals 640 acres

Occasionally the term "roods" is used. A rood equals 40 square rods.

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MOTORISTS LIKE GOLDEN BELT

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The Tide of Travel Has Now Turned Eastward

Abilene, Aug. 25. The tide of motor car travel over the Golden Belt to Colorado and other western states has turned toward the ea;st. Every day the sun shines sees many automobile loads of Kansans, Missourians, and even New Yorkers raising the dust along the yellow-belted route through this state. As many as fifty and seventy-five tourists go through Abilene daily, returning from Colorado, and many of the cars are driven by women. Occasionally a party will be composed entirely of women.

Editor's Note: The Golden Belt Highway was later to become U. S. Highway 40. This highway in 1914 crossed Kansas through Topeka, Manhattan, Junction City, Hays, Oakley, and Sharon Springs. The tourists mentioned in the above article would have also gone through Manhattan. On Clason's "Guide Map of the State of Kansas" issued in the early 20's, the western part of this highway was called The Union Pacific Highway.

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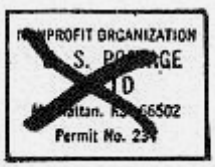
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